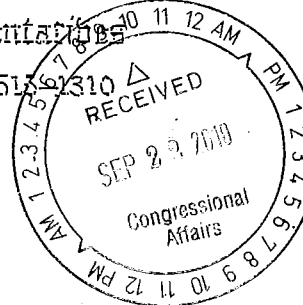


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September 21, 2010

Mr. Ralph Conner
Acting Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW, Room 6105
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Mr. Conner:

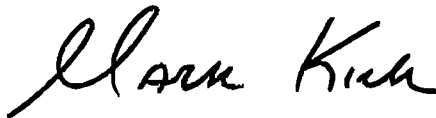
I was contacted by Ms. Christine L. Wilson pertaining to the status of her company's application to be a listed vendor through the General Services Administration.

Ms. Wilson is the Executive Assistant to the CEO of Omar Medical Supplies, Inc. Omar submitted an application to the Federal Acquisition Service (FAS) regarding the listing of their product under the Food Service, Hospitality, Cleaning, Equipment and Supplies, Chemicals and Services Solicitation (#7FCM-C4-030073-B).

Omar Medical submitted the application (#GU8JFTTB) June 29, 2010 and asked if they could receive a status update.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact my District Representative, Andrew Field, in my Northbrook office.

Sincerely,



Mark Steven Kirk
Member of Congress

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The Honorable Mark Steven Kirk
Member, United States
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102 Wilmot Road
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Deerfield, IL 60015

Dear Representative Kirk:

This is in response to your letter, dated October 7, 2003, on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Stephen A. Barth, President of VPI Venture Group LLC (VPI), regarding VPI's General Services Administration (GSA) contracts and possible violation of the Trade Agreements Act.

VPI indicates that its contracts with GSA do not prohibit it from selling products that are manufactured in China to the Federal Government, but that GSA has forced it to stop selling such products. It is GSA's position that because China is not a designated country under the Trade Agreements Act, and because similar products are available from U.S. firms or designated countries, the products offered by VPI under its contract are not eligible for a waiver from the requirements of the Trade Agreements Act. Since the Federal Government is prohibited from acquiring products manufactured in China without such a waiver, VPI is prohibited from selling its Chinese-made products to the Federal Government.

Detailed information about our investigation of VPI's request and the basis for our position are enclosed.

I hope this information is helpful in responding to your constituent. Should you have any further questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Arthur Hackney, GSA National Furniture Center, on (703) 305-6636.

Sincerely,

Lester D. Gray, Jr. (S)

Donna D. Bennett
Commissioner

Enclosure

Dec. 11. 2003 10:37AM

MARK STEVEN KIRK
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Mr. Shawn McBurney
Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional Affairs
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, N.W., Room 6105
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Mr. McBurney:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, Stephen A. Barth, President of Vertiflex Products of Northbrook, Illinois, who has contacted me regarding his company's contract with the General Services Administration (GSA). I have attached a copy of Mr. Barth's letter outlining his concerns.

It is my understanding that Vertiflex Products provides office supplies through two contracts with the GSA. Apparently the federal government asked my constituent to qualify the points of origin of the office products supplied to the GSA. This information was provided timely to the government. Since that time, the GSA has advised that Vertiflex Products in violation of distributing goods from prohibited countries. When my constituent contacted his attorney, he was advised that no violations of federal statutes could be found.

I would appreciate your reviewing Mr. Barth's letter and providing me with a response to his concerns. Any information you can provide would be welcomed.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. Please direct your reply through my Deerfield office listed above.

Sincerely,

Mark Steven Kirk
Member of Congress

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Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

September 14, 2005

Administrator Stephen Perry
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Administrator Perry:

We are concerned about the recent contract signed between the General Services Administration (GSA) and the American Ambulance Association (AAA) for medical transportation services in areas impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

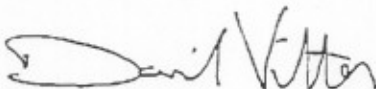
As we understand it, several Louisiana ambulance providers are not eligible to participate in the contract. Ambulance providers in Southeast Louisiana should be given priority when fulfilling this contract. This is crucial to ensuring hundreds of jobs for families devastated by the hurricane as well as the economic viability of the local providers who employ these workers.

For example, Acadian Ambulance Service, which distinguished itself during the evacuation of patients from New Orleans immediately after the hurricane, has 125 displaced medics that will be out of employment if an amendment is not made to the current arrangement. Additionally, other Southeast Louisiana based companies and the New Orleans Health department easily have more than 100 displaced medics that will be out of employment. Everything possible should be done to help these Louisianans get back to work.

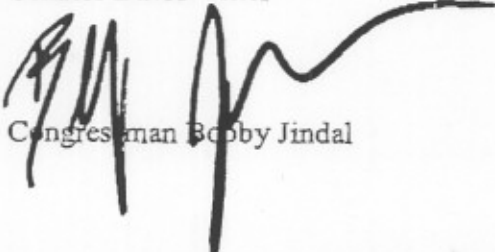
These medics were there when we needed them, even after having lost everything themselves. It would frankly be a kick in the gut, after all these workers have done, to award work to out-of-area providers when our home providers have fought the battle so well and so diligently. This isn't the thanks they should get.

In state resources should be utilized first and foremost and to the fullest extent they are capable before out-of-state providers are brought in. We are requesting a meeting as soon as possible with staff administering the contract to review our concerns and to seek information about amending the contract for Louisiana ambulance providers to be authorized providers under the agreement. We look forward to your timely and quick response.


Sincerely,



Senator David Vitter



Congressman Bobby Jindal



Congressman Charles Boustany



Congressman Charlie Melancon

#107684



a fax from the office of

Congressman
Charles W. Boustany, Jr., M.D.

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To: GSA Date: _____

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GSA Administrator

November 28, 2005

The Honorable Charles Boustany
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Boustany:

Thank you for your September 14, 2005 inquiry regarding the General Services Administration's (GSA's) role in assisting the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) acquire medical transportation services in areas impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

While GSA did not award any contracts directly to the American Ambulance Association (AAA), we did work closely with the AAA to alert ambulance companies of the need for ambulance services in response to the hurricane. As this was not a normal request for GSA, we took all prudent actions to find any and all companies who could provide the needed ambulance services immediately - looking first to local companies, and then looking to all companies who could meet the need.

At GSA's request, AAA notified its members to call GSA to notify us as to the number and type (Advanced Life Support or Basic Life Support) of ambulances available. When funding was made available to GSA to acquire ambulance services on behalf of FEMA, most of the available ambulance services we were aware of in Louisiana had already been engaged by the state. To provide the number of ambulances required within the short time frame, awards to out-of-state firms were necessary.

I hope this information helps you to understand GSA's actions in support of FEMA regarding the acquisition of medical transportation services. Should you or your staff like a briefing or need more information, please contact Ms. Cathy Beasley, Director, Operational Contracting Staff Office, at (202) 208-3122.

Sincerely,

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David L. Bibb
Acting Administrator

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VENDOR NAME	ADDRESS	BUSINESS SIZE
Medshore Amb Svc	1009 Fant Street Anderson SC	Small
Fulton Co	225 West Walnut Street Canton IL 61520	Small
Lifeline Amb Svc	1003 W. Cherry Street Marion IL 62959-1913	Small
Arrow Carle Amb	210 E. University avenue Champaign IL 61820-4213	Large
Parkview Hos	3103 E. State Blvd. Fort Wayne IN	Nonprofit
Jackson-Madison County	708 W. forest Street Jackson TN 38301-3901	Nonprofit
AMR OF TEXAS, INC	11911 Radium San Antonio TX 78216-2714	Large
Lifecare Med Transport	6601 Little River Turnpike, Ste 300 Alexandria VA	Small
AMR, Florida Division	7725 NW 19th Street Miami FL 33126	Small
Texas Lifeline Corp	5409 N Jim Miller Rd, Ste 203A Dallas TX	Small
Logan County Ambulance	1300 N. Postville Rd Lincoln IL 62656-1071	Nonprofit
Guardian EMS	3811 Old College College Station TX 77801-4112	Large
Provena Health	812 N. Logan Danville IL 61832-3752	Large
Medstar Ambulance, Inc	705 Bradbury Lane Sparta IL 62286-0296	Large
Mercy Regional	201 East Park Benton IL 62812-0337	Small
Galesburg Hospitals	2175 Windish Drive Galesburg IL 61401-9776	Large
St James Amb Dist	203 South Louise Street Saint James MO 65559-0637	Nonprofit
Professional Med Team	965 Fork Street Muskegon MI 49442-3257	Nonprofit
Rostraver/West Newton	100 Pleasant Valley Blvd Belle Vernon PA	Large
Coshocton County	513 Chestnut Street Coshocton OH 43812-1210	Nonprofit
Edgar County	E Court Paris IL 61944-0937	Small
Spartanburg EMS	101 E. Wood Street Spartanburg SC 29303-3153	Nonprofit
Shenango Valley AS	3168 E. State Street Hermitage PA 16148-3305	Small
Fraser Ambulance	4780 NE 3rd St Des Moines IA 50313-2362	Small
Med Express Amb Svc	5650 W Howard St Skokie IL 60077-2623	Large
Cape Co Pvt Amb	1458 N Kingshighway St Cape Girardeau MO 63701-2117	Small
Advantage	1020 E State Pkwy Schaumburg IL 60173-4577	Small
Blackhawk Medical	8040 185th St Tinley Park IL 60477-9213	Small
MAST	1300 Lydia Ave Kansas City MO 64106-6341	Small
Mansfield	369 Marion Ave Mansfield OH 44903-2064	Small
Trace Ambulance	8400 183rd Pl Tinley Park IL 60477-9268	Large
Ambulance Transp Inc	8200 W 185th St, Ste N, Tinley Park IL 60477-9232	Large
Superior Ambulance	395 West Lake Street Elmhurst IL 60126	Large
TransCare	5811 Foster Avenue Brooklyn NY 11234-1006	Large
Community Care Amb	102 W. 2nd Street Seiling OK 73663-0811	Nonprofit
Huntsville Emergency	2700 6th Avenue SW Hunstville AL 35805-3755	Nonprofit
MedFleet	5334 Sunset Road New Port Richey FL 34652-1738	Small
MedStar Inc	380 N. Gratiot Clinton Township MI 48036-3123	Nonprofit
Raytown EMS	10020 East 66th Terrace Kansas City MO 64133-3915	Nonprofit
First Response EMS	1019 Dalworth Street Mesquite TX 75149-4149	Small
Carolina Medical	P.O. Box 6708 Florence SC 29502-6708	Large
Gold Cross	501 6th Ave NW Rochester MN 55901-2673	Large
North Memorial AS	3300 Oakdale Ave N Minneapolis MN 55422-2900	Large
Trans-Am	305 N 8th Street Olean NY 14760-9549	Small
METS Ambulance	625 Virginia Ave Joplin MO 64801-2328	Nonprofit
Mohawk AS	357 Kings Rd Schenectady NY 12304-3645	Large
Finger Lakes AS	20 Crane Street Clifton Springs NY 14432-0616	Small
Monroe AS	318 Smith St Rochester NY 14608-1635	Large
Jefferson Emerg Rescue	11 S Market St Jefferson OH	Nonprofit

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1. TO: The Honorable <i>Charles Boustany</i> Eddie Bernice Johnson	2. FOR SIGNATURE OF David Bibb	3. DATE DUE 11/10/05	6. CORRESPONDENCE CONTROL NO. 107684
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14. SUMMARY

This letter is in response The Honorable Charles Boustany's inquiry September 14, 2005, requesting a review of the recent contract signed between the GSA and the American Ambulance Association (AAA) for medical transportation services in areas impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

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GSA Great Lakes Region

JUL 30 2007

The Honorable Paul Ryan
Member, United States
House of Representatives
20 South Main Street, Suite 10
Janesville, WI 53545

Dear Representative Ryan:

Thank you for your letter dated July 3, 2007, regarding the Social Security Administration (SSA) office in Kenosha, Wisconsin, and a request from State Representative Jim Kreuser to obtain information on SSA's current lease in Kenosha.

SSA's current lease in Kenosha expires January 14, 2008. The General Services Administration (GSA) is currently working with SSA and the lessor to determine the best short-term and long-term solutions to SSA's needs. A determination should be made shortly. If a new procurement is required, an advertisement will be posted on fedbizopps.gov to solicit space from all parties interested. The web site www.gsa.gov/leasing provides additional information on how to lease office space to GSA.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or have a member of your staff contact my Senior Advisor, Mr. Robert Thibeault at (312) 353-0720.

Sincerely,

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JAMES C. HANDLEY
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Congress of the United States
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July 3, 2007

Mr. James C. Handley
Regional Administrator
General Services Administration
230 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60604-1505

Dear Mr. Handley:

I was recently contacted by a constituent, Jim Kreuser of Kenosha, Wisconsin, requesting information on the lease agreement involving the GSA leased property at 5624 Sixth Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin. This property currently serves as the location for the Social Security Administration's (SSA) Kenosha Office Building. Please note that Mr. Kreuser serves as the State Representative for Wisconsin's 64th Assembly District (which serves Kenosha).

As I understand it, State Representative Kreuser requested information on whether officials of the SSA Kenosha Office Building have expressed interest in renewing their current lease agreement, or are interested in seeking new office space. If they are interested in seeking new office space, Representative Kreuser knows a small business owner who is interested in leasing space to the SSA Kenosha Office.

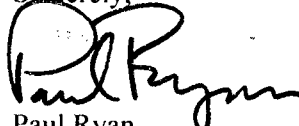
If GSA has been notified by SSA Kenosha officials on their lease intentions, State Representative Kresuer requested information whether their current lease agreement will be renewed (which expires on 1/14/2008). In addition, he also requested written information on the procedures for leasing space to the GSA.

I would appreciate it if you would look into this matter to determine if anything can be done – consistent with all laws and regulations – to assist him in obtaining this information.

Please address your response to my Janesville office at *20 South Main Street, Suite 10, Janesville, Wisconsin, 53545*. Should you have any questions about this request, my Constituent Services Representative, Susie Liston, can be contacted at (608) 752-4050.

Again, thank you for your assistance in this matter. I look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,



Paul Ryan
Member of Congress

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GSA Administrator

December 21, 2007

The Honorable Mary L. Landrieu
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Landrieu:

This is in response to your letter dated October 18, 2007, regarding the fiscal year (FY) 2008 Federal lodging per diem allowances for New Orleans, Louisiana, and surrounding parishes. As a New Orleans native, I am aware of the area and have first hand experience with the devastating effects of the hurricane.

The General Services Administration (GSA) immediately responded when Hurricane Katrina hit by issuing a Federal Travel Regulation (FTR) Bulletin, which allowed Federal agencies to more easily authorize actual expenses (authority to spend up to 300 percent above the established per diem allowances) for Federal employees traveling to New Orleans and other Gulf Coast areas. This FTR Bulletin was in effect for two years and allowed agencies and their travelers to obtain lodging necessary to complete their missions.

GSA must establish per diem allowances that balance the ability for Federal travelers to find quality hotels against the U.S. taxpayers' expectation of reasonable cost. Accordingly, the lodging allowances established by GSA are based on lodging industry performance in order to achieve this balance. Consequently, the lodging per diem allowances for New Orleans have been and continue to be based on the average daily rate (ADR) data collected from moderately-priced, fire-safe properties within New Orleans. The ADR is widely accepted by the lodging industry as a reliable measure of performance and is based upon the properties' actual room rental revenue divided by the number of rooms rented as voluntarily reported by those properties to our per diem contractor, Smith Travel Research. The FY 2008 per diem lodging allowances for New Orleans are the result of the ADR performance of 71 New Orleans properties from April 2006 to March 2007. In addition to per diem, GSA encourages Federal travelers to stay in hotels that have voluntarily agreed to participate in GSA's FedRooms program by offering rooms for rates at or below the current per diem. There are currently 23 hotels in the New Orleans area currently participating in this program.

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GSA is in contact with the New Orleans Federal Executive Board in order to obtain feedback regarding the impact of the FY 2008 per diem allowances on travelers' ability to find lodging. In addition, if Federal travelers find that the current lodging per diem allowances and FedRooms properties are not adequate to find lodging, a Federal agency may request a per diem review prior to the end of the calendar year. Federal travelers and their travel managers can find information on how to request per diem reviews by visiting www.gsa.gov/perdiem.

Furthermore, although the FTR Bulletin mentioned above expired on September 30, 2007, the FTR continues to offer agencies the tools necessary to satisfy their travelers' needs. Agencies have the ability to authorize actual expense authority for their employees on a trip-by-trip, traveler-by-traveler basis. Agencies also have the ability to authorize the conference lodging allowance (CLA). If approved by their agencies, the CLA allows travelers to spend up to 25 percent above the established lodging allowance if they are attending a conference or meeting.

I appreciate your interest in GSA's travel program and trust that this information will be helpful in responding to your constituents. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or have a member of your staff contact Mr. Kevin Messner, Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Governmentwide Policy, at (202) 501-0563.

Cordially,

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Lurita Doan
Administrator



GSA Administrator

December 21, 2007

The Honorable David Vitter
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Vitter:

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Lurita Doan
Administrator



GSA Administrator

December 21, 2007

The Honorable Richard Baker
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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GSA Administrator

December 21, 2001

The Honorable Jim McCrery
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable William J. Jefferson
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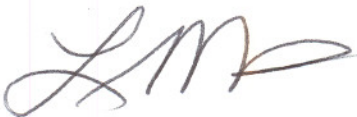
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The Honorable Bobby Jindal
House of Representatives
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Washington, DC 20515

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House of Representatives
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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20510

October 18, 2007

The Honorable Lurita Doan
Administrator
U.S. General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW, Room 6105
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Administrator Doan:

We write to express our concern over the recent announcement by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) that, effective October 1, 2007, the Federal Government per diem rate for the New Orleans area was reduced by \$17 per day during peak season. In light of ongoing recovery efforts in the region, such a decrease in travel dollars will cause significant economic harm to the City of New Orleans and its surrounding parishes. Therefore, we respectfully request that GSA review this change and restore the per diem rate to the FY2007 level.

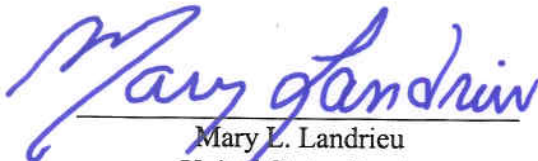
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The GSA has reduced the per diem rate for the city from \$148 to \$131 per day during peak season, and from \$102 to \$99 per day during off-season for lodging expenses. The timing of this announcement comes as New Orleans hotels have seen many citywide conventions and groups confirm for the October 2007-May 2008 timeframe. This spike in business will make it harder for government travelers to find a room that falls within the new Federal per diem rate. Following other events of this magnitude, such as the September 11th attacks in New York City, similar considerations were provided to the city and local industry. Therefore, we believe that ample precedent exists for the GSA to restore its previous rate.

The GSA reduction of the per diem rate to its lowest level since FY 2000, will harm recovery efforts in the region at a time when local communities and businesses need the most support. We therefore reiterate our request that GSA review the recent reduction and consider restoring the rate to the FY2007 levels. We urge your consideration, within all applicable guidelines, of this request.


Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,


Mary L. Landrieu
United States Senator



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GSA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

December 17, 2013

The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
United States Senator
14 Manchester Square, Suite 140
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Dear Senator Ayotte:

This letter is in response to your letter dated November 20, 2013, on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Lindsey Smith of Document Management Solutions, Inc. in Londonderry, New Hampshire, regarding problems in registering as an internet vendor in the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) FedPay system. Mr. Smith's inquiry specifically referenced his invoice numbers 13560 and 13623.

GSA researched the issue and found that both invoices have been processed for payment. Additionally, as of November 15, 2013, the vendor was successfully set up as an internet vendor in GSA's FedPay system.

Invoice number 13560 for \$2,100.00 was submitted by the vendor electronically into FedPay on November 18, 2013. Payment was made on November 26, 2013.

Invoice number 13623 for \$854.89 was received on November 13, 2013, and was input manually by a payment technician into the FedPay system on November 14, 2013. Payment was made on November 25, 2013.

The vendor was previously registered for Internet invoicing on December 29, 2010; however, the vendor was removed from the system on December 30, 2011, due to inactivity for one year. Program staff contacted Ms. Amy Glidden of Document Management Solutions, Inc. on November 14, 2013, to provide assistance with completion of the internet invoicing vendor registration process. As of November 15, 2013, the vendor was re-registered as an Internet vendor.

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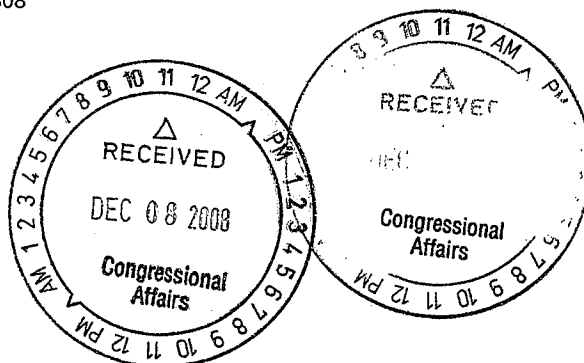
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Lisa A. Austin
Associate Administrator

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3308

December 2, 2008



Mr. Clinton Robinson
Associate Administrator
General Services Administration
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
1800 F Street, NW Room 6105
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Enclosed is a copy of correspondence I have received from my constituent, Mr. Daniel Gurkin, President of Tarheel Specialties, Inc., concerning a request for an investigation of the contract administration practices related to their contract which was not renewed by the General Services Administration. I believe that you will find this letter to be self-explanatory.

I would appreciate it if you would review the enclosed correspondence and provide me with any information that may be helpful to my constituent.

I am grateful for any assistance you may be able to provide in this matter

Sincerely,

Richard Burr
United States Senator

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Enclosure

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Senator Richard Burr
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RE: Contract Tarheel Specialties, Inc. held with the Department of Homeland Security

Dear Senator Burr:

Tarheel Specialties, Inc. respectfully requests an investigation of the General Services Administration (GSA) contract administration practices in connection with the GSA Schedule Contract Number GS-07F-0152N held by Tarheel Specialties, Inc. Tarheel Specialties, Inc. would like to know the reasons for it not to be in the Government's best interest to renew its GSA Schedule Contract.

Tarheel Specialties, Inc. also respectfully requests an investigation of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) contract administration practices in connection with the statewide (Pennsylvania) guard services contract number HSCEGI-05-R-F00004 issued under the GSA Schedule Contract number GS-07F-0152N. Tarheel Specialties Inc. would like it made known the reasons for not exercising the last option period of this contract. Tarheel Specialties, Inc. formerly held this contract with no issues in performance and was informed that a new contract (Contract number unknown) was awarded to Knights Protective Service, Inc., who was in bankruptcy at the time of award and despite other major problems with this new contract, which are outlined below, the DHS is not taking appropriate corrective actions.

The problems being experienced are as follows, as reported to us by the officers:

All officers in this area do not have the proper amount of uniforms.
They should have 5 long sleeve shirts and 3 pair of pants.
(they only have 3 shirts and 2 pair of pants) Cap.
No jacket, no sweater, no shoes, no gloves- these are all in the contract,
even the shoes.

Allentown SSA, Allentown ODAR do not have cell phones- how can they call for help.

No night sites on the weapons.
Making officers pay for drug tests.
Not paying mileage for training- (contract states that all FPS certified guards will be paid this regardless if the training is transitional or to be brought on to a new contract)
All officers who transitioned into the new handgun are already FPS certified guards.

On page 20 of the contract- it states that the manager must have a minimum of 5 years of specialized experience.

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Richard Burr
Winston Salem, NC

It also states that the "CM and office will be located within 20 miles of each of the following cities: Harrisburg, Wilkes-Barre and Pittsburg;"

Not sure about the person who replaced [the Tarheel CM], but one replacement lives in Maryland. The contract states that both the office and Manager must be within 20 miles of the city.

Page 21 of the contract states that they must provide the Government by start date, phone number, cell number, fax number, and email.

The only one of the above that the Wilkes-Barre area manager even has is a cell number. No fax, email.

The manager who replaced one person does not possess the required Supervisor training per the contract- direct violation- Page 95 Section J, Exhibit 5B of contract.

Page 123 regarding insurance requirements and workers' comp liability- How do we check if they have this in place per the contract.

Also do they have the security license in place for this state, we do not know. There has not been a weapon report completed or sent since October 1, 2008.

Page 110, the company is responsible for all postage costs and fees; the company has had all officers in my area fax 2790s, 139s to a number in Maryland. The officers have not been provided postage to mail incident reports, 139's, or any other forms.

Page 108, Description of Services- it states that the company must provide everything stated in this contract- why is this not being enforced??

Page 69- Contractor's training Schedule Plan- These have not been completed on 2 occasions so far for training.

Training for baton was completed on- October 12, 2008 and FPS was not notified.

CPR and First Aid training is due to be completed on October 18, 2008 and as of October 15th from speaking with Shane, FPS has not been notified of this either.

Also, Page 89 Section J, Exhibit 4E - states that the handgun transition training each officer must fire no less than 500 rounds.

(I am pretty sure that the Wilkes-Barre area is the only area that followed this to the exact amount).

Dan said that he left it up to the officers because the company did not give him enough ammo. All the officers that did not fire 500 rounds did not complete the required training and should be pulled from post.

Respectfully submitted,

(b) (6)

Daniel B. Gurkin

President, Tarheel Specialties, Inc.



GSA Greater Southwest Region

February 3, 2009

The Honorable Richard Burr
United States Senator
2000 West First Street, Suite 508
Winston-Salem, NC 27104

Dear Senator Burr:

This is in response to your letter dated December 2, 2008, on behalf of your constituent Mr. Daniel Gurkin, President of Tarheel Specialties, Inc. (Tarheel Specialties), concerning a request for an investigation of the contract administration practices related to their U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) contract which was not renewed.

GSA entered into a MAS Indefinite Quantity, Indefinite Delivery contracts for five years with three five-year options with Tarheel Specialties to provide Guard Services through August 1, 2008. Each MAS contract includes Clause I-FSS-163, Option to Extend the Term of the Contract which states, in part, "The Government may require continued performance of this contract for an additional five year period when it is determined that exercising the option is advantageous to the Government considering price and other factors." The option provision is a unilateral, discretionary right of the Government.

On May 12, 2008, GSA's contracting officer (CO) was notified that all assets associated with the performance of this contract had been transferred to Martin Edwards and Associates through a Bill of Sale effective April 30, 2008. The Government was requested to recognize the successor in interest to the contract in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 42.12 – Novation and Change of Name Agreements. The Contracting Officer evaluated the full extent of Martin Edwards and Associates corporate experience. Upon review, however, it was noted that Martin Edwards and Associates did not meet the qualification criteria established in the solicitation for Guard Service contractors. Therefore, GSA determined it was not in the Government's best interest to recognize the successor in interest and declined to do so.

As the assets associated with the performance of the MAS contract no longer remained at Tarheel Specialties, the CO could not determine that performance of Guard Services could continue. Therefore, it was determined to be in the best interest of the Government to allow the contract to expire. Please be assured that all procedures followed were in accordance with the FAR.

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Both Tarheel Specialties and Martin Edwards Associates were advised that MAS 84 Solicitation Number 7FCI-L3-03-0084-B is posted continuously at fedbizopps.gov. Either vendor may submit a new proposal at any time for consideration of a new MAS contract award. Any proposal received will be evaluated in accordance with the provisions contained within the solicitation.

Information pertaining to Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Task Order Number HSCEGI-05-R-F00004 referenced in your letter must be requested from the agency that placed the task order. DHS Office of Public affairs can be reached at 202-282-8010.

We trust this information will be helpful in responding to your constituent. If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or have a member of your staff contact my Public Affairs Officer, Ms. Shala S. Geer-Smith, at (817) 978-7085.

Sincerely,

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George R. Prochaska
Acting Regional Administrator

MARK STEVEN KIRK
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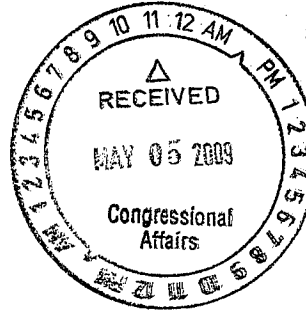
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Mr. Michael Wootten
Acting Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional Affairs
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW, Room 6105
Washington, D.C. 20405



Dear Mr. Wootten:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, Mel Boldt of Inverness, Illinois, regarding Solicitation GS-05B81223. Attached are copies of correspondence from my constituent.

I would appreciate your reviewing Mr. Boldt's concerns consistent with federal regulations. Any information you can provide would be welcomed

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please direct your reply through my Northbrook office.

Sincerely,

Mark Steven Kirk
Member of Congress

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MARK STEVEN KIRK
10TH DISTRICT, ILLINOIS

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AGENCY INVOLVED: GSA

PERTINENT CASE NUMBER: GS-05B-18223

CENSUS BUREAU RENTAL OF SPACE AT 345 ERIC DR. PAULINE

Due to the Privacy Act of 1974, federal and state agencies are prohibited from releasing information about an individual without that individual's written permission. Your signature on this page authorizes me, as your Congressman, to contact the proper officials on your behalf, discuss the matter, and receive any pertinent information.

4/29/09
DATE

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PLEASE RETURN TO: CONGRESSMAN MARK STEVEN KIRK
707 Skokie Blvd., Suite 350
Northbrook, IL 60062
TELEPHONE: (847) 940-0202

Kelly, Ed

From: m boldt (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2009 1:34 PM
To: Kelly, Ed
Cc: bruce blank
Subject: Solicitation GS-05B-18223

Last January the Realtor for the Census Bureau approached us about renting space in our building at 345 Eric Dr in Palatine. It is a factory that has stood empty since the manufacturing was moved to China. He indicated that they had been unable to locate a building in the narrow geographic area specified in the Solicitation that had both the office space and the dock access required. We told him that the tenant would have to bear much of the estimated \$500,000 cost of the required office build out. Despite this he urged us to proceed. Based on his assurances we incurred architect fees and other cost to complete the Solicitation. We provided drawing and secured the approval of the Village of Palatine for the proposed use in a manufacturing district by the end of March. To meet the August move in date we must begin construction by May 1.

Since then we have received no information other than the e-mail I have forwarded.

I would appreciate your help in determining the status of this contract and if the GSA is trying to go outside the specified area of the Congressman's district.

Thank you for your assistance. We could use the stimulation!

4/29/2009

Kelly, Ed

From: m boldt (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2009 1:13 PM
To: Kelly, Ed
Subject: Solicitation GS-05B-18223

Sent in conjunction with my e-mail.

Subject: RE: 345 Eric Dr.
Date: Mon, 13 Apr 2009 18:19:38 -0500
From: Jon.Isherwood@ugl-equis.com
To: bblancknwa@sbcglobal.net
CC: (b) (6) kim.gill@gsa.gov

Bruce,

I apologize sincerely for not responding to your voicemails. I along with Kim Gill are well aware of the communication you've sent us regarding the zoning issues for this particular location and appreciate how forthcoming with information you've been. However, an award has not been made as of yet for this particular requirement and until an award is issued we are not permitted to provide direction one way or another to any offeror involved in this procurement. This is standard protocol for government leases. I understand that this has taking longer than any of us would prefer, but we are forced to play by the rules and sometimes decisions can take a long time to come to.

We also understand that timing is critical for this project and that you have people waiting in the wings currently, but again we are required to play by the rules here so I ask that you please be patient for the time being and understand that both Kim and I are working towards getting an official award issued as quickly as possible. As soon as an award is issued we'll get in touch with you inform you as to the decision that was made.

Hope all is well,

Jon Isherwood

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From: Bruce Blanck [mailto:bblancknwa@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2009 11:19 AM
To: Jon Isherwood
Cc: Melvin Boldt
Subject: 345 Eric Dr.

Jon; Could you please send us a brief status update on our project proposal. We have people standing by to begin the permit process, but need to finalize layouts, etc.

Also let me know that you and GSA are aware we DO NOT NEED special use permits or variance to proceed; the Village of Palatine has set those aside, and can move right into building permits. We just need architect's drawings with GSA final plan.

Please respond ASAP. I got the second-hand verbal from your associate, but would appreciate hearing direct from you.

Thank you,

4/29/2009

Bruce

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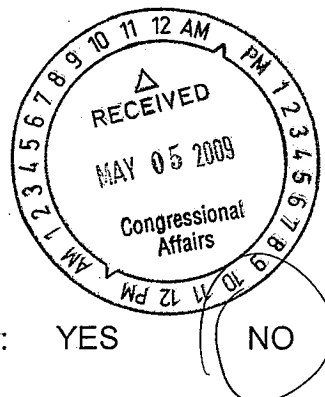
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If you have any questions, please call me or Greg Parks on 501-0563.

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Jenny Lynn
Mooney/4AM/R04/GSA/GOV
10/30/2009 01:21 PM

To Pharis D. Allen/4A/R04/GSA/GOV@GSA
cc
bcc

Subject Congressional Inquiry/Senator Richard Burr

See Congressional inquiry from Senator Richard Burr below which I am forwarding to you for suspense and forwarding to the appropriate office.
Senator Burr's Winston-Salem office address information is as follows:

Senator Richard Burr
Piedmont Plaza Two
2000 West First Street, Suite 508
Winston-Salem, NC 27104
POC: Lori Livingston PH: 336-631-5125

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Jenny Mooney
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KY, NC and TN
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<Lori_Livingston@burr.senate.gov>
10/30/2009 01:11 PM

To "jenny.mooney@gsa.gov" <jenny.mooney@gsa.gov>
cc
Subject constituent request

Jenny,

We received the following email from a constituent:

Dr. Herb Land

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Email: (b) (6)

Phone(s): (H) (b) (6)

Activity Created: 10/12/2009
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Comments:

RSP: Yes.

Date Received: 10/12/2009 8:26:28 AM

Topic/Subject Desc: Children Family Adoption

Dear Senator Burr, I am requesting a trailer and van to haul Boy Scout equipment for Troop 5 BSA in Wake Forest, NC. One of my scout's mother is in charge of the government seized auctions in the Raleigh area and told me that if you would write approval for us to obtain a trailer and van to carry our scouts to and from the camping trips that we could obtain it from these auctions. I have written Kay Hagan twice with no response!!! Can you help us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Herb Land

FEMA has advised this is a GSA issue. Can you give me some direction?

Thanks.

Lori Livingston
Senior Constituent Advocate
Office of Senator Richard Burr
2000 West First Street, Suite 508
Winston-Salem, NC 27104
Phone: (336) 631-5125
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TO: Executive Secretariat Division (ACMC)

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FROM: Ralph Conner
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SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence

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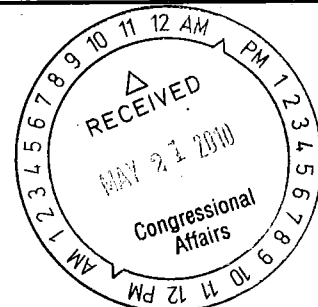
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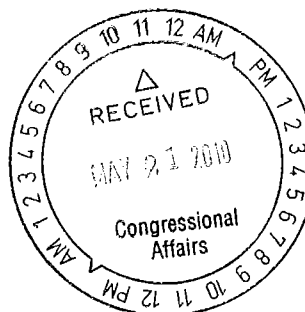
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May 10, 2010

The Honorable Martha N. Johnson
Administrator
U.S. General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW
Washington, DC 20405



Dear Administrator Johnson:

I would like to introduce you to a company that is seeking to do business with the General Services Administration. COEUS Technology, located in my district, produces an antimicrobial textile treatment called MonoFoil. Nate Richardson, President of COEUS Technology, would like the opportunity to meet with a member of your staff to discuss the potential uses and benefits of the MonoFoil product. My office would be happy to arrange such a meeting.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of the MonoFoil product. My Deputy District Director, Kim Bennett, can be reached at 765-747-5566 to schedule a meeting between Mr. Richardson and your staff.

Sincerely,

Mike Pence
Member of Congress
Sixth District, Indiana

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July 19, 2010

The Honorable Mike Pence
Member, United States
House of Representatives
107 West Charles Street
Muncie, IN 47305

Dear Representative Pence:

Thank you for your letter dated May 10, 2010, on behalf of your constituent Mr. Nate Richardson, President of COEUS Technology, regarding his interest in doing business with the Federal Government for his product, an antimicrobial textile treatment called MonoFoil.

The U.S. General Services Administration's Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) program would be an excellent contracting vehicle for Mr. Richardson and we would be happy to meet with him. Authorized users of the program include both military and Federal agencies. Based upon the product information provided it appears the product described would be appropriate to offer under MAS Schedule 73, Food Service, Hospitality, Cleaning Equipment and Supplies, Chemicals and Services.

To discuss the program further, Mr. Richardson may contact either Ms. Haley Naegele at (817) 850-8444 or Ms. Donna Peck at (817) 850-8289. In the meantime, to participate in the MAS program, Mr. Richardson may also respond to the current solicitation number 7FCM-C4-03-0073-B, posted at <http://www.fedbizopps.gov>.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Staff inquiries may be directed to Ms. Trista Allen, Special Assistant. She can be reached directly at (817) 978-0052.

Sincerely,

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Juan D. Salinas, III
Regional Administrator



GSA Greater Southwest Region

October 15, 2010

The Honorable Mark Steven Kirk
Member, United States
House of Representatives
707 Skokie Boulevard, Suite 350
Northbrook, IL 60062

Dear Representative Kirk:

Thank you for your letter dated September 21, 2010, on behalf of your constituent Ms. Christine L. Wilson, Executive Assistant to the CEO of Omar Medical Supplies, Inc. (Omar Medical Supplies), regarding the status of their proposal to obtain a U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) contract under Schedule 73, Food Service, Hospitality, Cleaning Equipment and Supplies, Chemicals and Services.

On June 29, 2010, GSA received Omar Medical Supplies proposal. The initial screening for financial responsibility and responsiveness is complete. The detailed analysis of the vendor's proposal is currently being reviewed.

Over the last year, the GSA Greater Southwest Acquisition Center has experienced an increase in the number of new proposals received. At this time, we have in excess of 500 new offers which we are working to process in a timely and efficient manner. However, when an authorized customer agency requests we expedite a specific contractor's proposal, we make every effort to do so. It is our intent to complete the processing of this proposal as quickly as possible in order to support all of our Federal customers.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Staff inquiries may be directed to Ms. Trista Allen, Special Assistant. She can be reached directly at (817) 978-0052.

Sincerely,

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For

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**Office of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio**

201 S. Orange Ave., Suite 350
Orlando, FL 32801
Phone 407-254-2573
Fax 407-423-0941

To: Rodney Emery

From: Zach Zampella

Pages: 3 (Including cover)

Date: 2/17/2011

Fax: 202-219-5742

Re: Npact America, Inc.

Comments:

I would greatly appreciate it if you could review this matter and provide a response. Please address your response to Senator Marco Rubio c/o Zach Zampella at 201 S. Orange Ave., Suite 350, Orlando, FL 32801.

Best Regards,

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Zach Zampella

Senior Constituent Services Representative

Zachary_Zampella@rubio.senate.gov

Zampella, Zachary (Rubio)

From: Sykes, Todd (Rubio) on behalf of Rubio, Casework (Rubio)
Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2011 10:34 AM
To: Zampella, Zachary (Rubio)
Subject: FW: Npact America, creating Jobs for Service Disabled Veterans
Attachments: image002.jpg

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Looks like a GSA case.

From: Corey Mayerlen [mailto:cmayerlen@npactamerica.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2011 2:15 PM
To: Rubio, Casework (Rubio)
Subject: Npact America, creating Jobs for Service Disabled Veterans

Good afternoon. I hope all is well.

My name is Corey Mayerlen and I am the CEO/President of Npact America, Inc. We are a not-for-profit organization located in Jacksonville, Florida that is creating jobs for Service Disabled Veterans through the Wounded Warrior Project as well as for other adults with varying degrees of disabilities.

We began this social enterprise almost two years ago with the mission of creating meaningful and lasting jobs through contract development. To maximize our job creation opportunities we decided to begin developing a niche business concept that could be marketed to both government and commercial entities allowing us to closely manage the jobs we are creating.

In doing so we successfully secured a set-aside contract with the State of Florida to provide products to state agencies. This led to a sole source agreement with the Department of Corrections, Department of Children and Family, Department of Juvenile Justice and many more. Over the last few months we have also secured agreements with multiple State agencies outside of Florida including Tennessee and New Jersey.

Along with government programs we have partnered with BAE Systems, a large Federal contractor, to manufacture products for their commercial marketplace.

While working diligently to develop our program and create jobs we have been encouraged to research offering our products and services through GSA potentially under JWOD.

The JWOD Act (Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act 41 U.S.C. § 46 et seq.) also known as "The AbilityOne Program", is a U.S. federal law requiring that all federal agencies purchase specified supplies and services from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other significant disabilities. ("JWOD", <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/JWOD>)

While doing this research we have been instructed that the Committee For Purchase now requires non-profits to secure what they are calling an "Executive Sponsor" from either GSA (General Services Administration) or DLA (Defense Logistics Agency). The problem we have is locating someone that has an understanding of what getting an "Executive Sponsor" entails and directing us to accomplish such.

We have contacted individuals within the Ability One office as well as with the National Institute for the Blind and they have instructed that the executive sponsorship should come through current procurement relationships. However this limits "new" entities from trying to enter the program because you can't create the relationships without being in the program to start.

We have emailed the office of Mrs. Martha Johnson, GSA administrator, but did not receive a response.

The reason for my email is simply to ask for support from your office in locating the right individual that will help us secure the requirements to pursue opportunities within GSA through JWOD under an Executive Sponsor. Any guidance, direction or letters of support would be greatly appreciated and put to good use.

Right now we have almost 13 non-profit partners working with us to meet our goal of creating hundreds, if not thousands of jobs for Service Disabled Veterans and we believe that creating sustainable entities is the only way to secure their future while transitioning from life as a soldier to life as a citizen with a disability.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly.

Corey Mayerlen

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GSA Office of the Regional Administrator

APR 19 2011

The Honorable Marco Rubio
United States Senator
201 South Orange Avenue, Suite 350
Orlando, FL 32801

Dear Senator Rubio:

I hope this letter finds you well. First, let me congratulate you on your recent Senate win.


Thank you for your facsimile dated February 17, 2011, on behalf of your constituent Mr. Corey Mayerien, requesting information about AbilityOne Program opportunities with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). Mr. Mayerien's email states that his not-for-profit organization, NPACT, provides employment for service-disabled veterans and other adults through Florida's Wounded Warrior Project.

The Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (Committee) is the independent Federal agency that administers the procurement programs with the National Industries for the Blind (NIB) and the National Institute for the Severely Handicapped (NISH), the organizations with whom eligible applicable businesses must affiliate in order to do business with the federal government. The Committee's mission is to provide for employment opportunities in the manufacture and delivery of products and services to the federal government for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Although GSA is not directly responsible for or involved in the AbilityOne Program, we educate small businesses, non-profits, individuals and others about our small business goals, the Multiple Award Schedules program, and other GSA-related business. Accordingly, a GSA Business Development Specialist in the GSA Regional Office of Small Business Utilization contacted Mr. Mayerien on March 14, 2011, and explained the process of affiliation with NIB/NISH and placement on the Committee's Procurement List.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your staff may call Ms. Meredith Lilly, Special Assistant to the Regional Administrator, at (404) 331-3200.

Sincerely,


Shyam K. Reddy
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CORRESPONDENCE ROUTING SLIP

FOR SIGNATURE OF Steven J. Kempf	CONTROL NUMBER 194067
ADDRESSEE Honorable Richard Burr	DUE DATE 05/04/2011

ROUTE

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2. W. Webster (QM)		<i>5/6/11</i>	<i>W. Webster</i>
3. S. Kempf (Q)			
4. <i>Q Dunn</i>	<i>6/27</i>	<i>6/27</i>	<i>C. Dunn</i>
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GSA DOCUMENT SUMMARY
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4. SUBJECT: Response to Burr ltr on Auditech & Associates	5. <input type="checkbox"/> BASIC DOCUMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RESPONSE	6. CORRESPONDENCE CONTROL NUMBER 194067

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8. ACTION OFFICER Robyn Soldner	9. CORRESPONDENCE SYMBOL QMC	10. TELEPHONE NUMBER 703-605-2173	11. PREPARED BY Shizua Oliver	12. TELEPHONE NUMBER 703-605-3496
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13. **NOTE: NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED BY FINAL SIGNING OFFICIAL** ►

14. SUMMARY

This letter is in response to Senator Burr from North Carolina regarding a letter from his constituent Marvin Walters, Contract Administrator, Auditech & Associates, Incorporated (Auditech) which GSA received on April 1, 2011. Mr. Walters is requesting assistance on obtaining work from the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to perform administrative review and rate examination services on post-payment transportation bills. Auditech has taken the first step to become a supplier to the Federal Government by getting on the GSA Multiple Award Schedules Contract 520. Last fall, GSA's Transportation Audits Division reviewed the scope of the existing post-payment audit contract and considered re-soliciting. Mr. Walters was under the impression there would be a re-solicitation and Auditech would have an opportunity to bid for that work.

Based on a thorough review, however, the Division decided that simply modifying the existing contracts and executing an option would be a faster and less expensive way to accomplish its mission. Mr. Walters was expecting to get business and did not. GSA Contracting met with him to educate why he was not awarded business and options he had to market Auditech. GSA will definitely keep Auditech in our files as an interested party for future GSA solicitations of audit services.

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15. AUTHOR ►	NAME AND SIGNATURE (b) (6)	SYMBOL QMC	TELEPHONE NUMBER 703-605-2173	DATE 05/03/2011
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GSA Federal Acquisition Service

June 27, 2011

The Honorable Richard Burr
United States Senator
2000 West First Street, Suite 508
Winston-Salem, NC 27104

Dear Senator Burr:

This letter is in response to your inquiry dated March 24, 2011, on behalf of your constituent Mr. Marvin L. Walters, Contract Administrator, Auditech & Associates, Inc., (Auditech), requesting assistance on obtaining work from the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to perform administrative review and rate examination services on post-payment transportation bills.

GSA appreciates and respects any company that wants to support work that will save the American people money. Auditech has taken the first step to become a supplier to the Federal Government by obtaining a GSA Multiple Award Schedules (MAS) contract to provide Financial and Business Solutions (Schedule 520).

Three areas need to be addressed regarding Auditech's request. GSA notes that Auditech did not bid on the solicitation issued in March 2009 for post-payment audits under SIN 520-10 and therefore is not a current post-payment audit vendor. Auditech became a GSA MAS vendor in 2010 which makes them eligible to bid on future solicitations. Based on current procurement policy in the Federal Acquisition Regulation, a company that did not respond to a solicitation for services cannot be added to a current contract. The 2009 post-payment audits solicitation was for a five year period, one base year with four one-year options. Last fall, GSA's Transportation Audits Division reviewed the scope of the existing contract and considered re-soliciting. Mr. Walters was under the impression there would be a re-solicitation and Auditech would have an opportunity to bid for that work. Based on a thorough review, however, GSA decided that simply modifying the existing contracts and executing an option would be a faster and less expensive way to accomplish its mission.

A representative from the GSA contracting staff has contacted Mr. Walters and explained the contracting process and suggested ways for his company to effectively market its expertise to Federal agencies. The staff also provided Mr. Walters with GSA's *Contractor Reference Guide – Steps to Success Make the Most of Your GSA Contract*. In addition, as GSA is not the only agency that procures the type of services provided by Auditech, Mr. Walters was provided names and contacts of other GSA associates who are specialists in audit services and who may know of future solicitations available from other Federal agencies. While being on a GSA MAS does not guarantee that a company will get Federal business, it does provide an excellent opportunity for companies to market their services across the Federal Government.

Finally, we note with interest Mr. Walters' statement that Auditech can provide post-payment audit services more cost effectively than the current GSA vendors. This is important information that our office will retain and research further. We will definitely keep Auditech in our files as an interested party for future GSA solicitations of audit services.

GSA remains committed to providing Federal agencies with quality services and a choice of procurement solutions. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Staff inquiries may be directed to Mr. Rodney P. Emery, Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. He can be reached at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

(b) (6)

Steven J. Kemp
Commissioner

(ADE) - Executive Secretariat Division - 194067 - The Honorable Richard Burr*

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Signature Organization:
Signature Date:
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Your office has been selected to receive an Information Copy on the following control.

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Charmaine Dunn.

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RICHARD BURR
NORTH CAROLINA



United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3308

March 24, 2011

Mr. Rodney Emery
Acting Associate Administrator
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1800 F Street, NW Room 6105
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Dear Mr. Emery:

Enclosed is a copy of correspondence I have received from my constituent, Marvin Walters of Auditech & Associates, Inc., concerning his company's efforts to provide services for the General Services Administration. I believe that you will find this letter to be self-explanatory.

I would appreciate it if you would review the enclosed correspondence and provide me with any information that may be helpful to my constituent.

I am grateful for any assistance you may be able to provide in this matter.

Sincerely,

Richard Burr
United States Senator

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Enclosure

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March 22, 2011

Honorable Richard Burr
U.S. Senator North Carolina
2000 West First Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27104

Dear Senator Burr:

We have spoken with Ms. Lori Livingston, a representative in your Winston-Salem, North Carolina office this morning regarding our company. During our conversation we communicated to her that our company secured Contract #GS-23-F0087W dated August 10, 2010 to perform audits for General Services Administration on their transportation bills.

We have attached information regarding some difficulties that our company has had since August, 2010 in becoming a participant in the work available with GSA. To our knowledge presently most of this work is being done by contractors in Ohio, Florida, Maryland, and Louisiana. It is our understanding that some of the work is not being done at all. Our company has offered pricing to GSA that creates a savings situation to them better than they presently receive from the existing contractors.

We would like to ask if your office could offer any assistance to our company to help us obtain some of this work. We feel it would benefit the great State of North Carolina.

Respectfully,
Auditech & Associates, Inc.

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Marvin L. Walters
Contract Administrator

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Auditech & Associates, Inc. is a small business located at 2207 Eastchester Drive Suite 105 High Point, NC. Our business performs administrative reviews and rate examinations on post payment transportation bills to ensure accuracy, completeness, and compliance with established rates, tariffs, quotations, agreements, tenders or other applicable rate authority for the purpose of recovering overcharges.

In January, 2010 our company began a process to secure a U S Government contract with the General Services Administration to provide these services. For the next eight months our company completed the necessary information for Solicitation Number FCXB-F4-020002-B Refresh Number 10. We were awarded a Multiple Award Schedule Contract Number GS-23-F0087W on August 10, 2010 to provide these services.

From August 10, 2010 to March 2, 2011 our company has had numerous communications with the Transportation Audits Office with GSA regarding this work. During this time we had received information that there was work available and that our company would be given the opportunity to compete for this work.

On March 2, 2011 we were referred by the Transportation Audits Office to the GSA Contracting Office for further discussions regarding this process. On March 18, 2011 we were advised by the GSA Contracting Office that "earlier in the year a decision was made not to re-solicit services and based on current procurement policy laws, rules, and regulations, a company that never responded to a solicitation for services could not be "added" to a current contract in place. The Contracting Office will not be able to execute any contractual actions to include our company in providing post payment audit services for our Transportation Audits Program Office".

On March 21, 2011 we responded to the Contracting Office via email (copy attached) asking for further review and consideration of our company. We challenged their decision and supported our position with various points pertaining to this issue. A copy of these points are attached as well. We are awaiting a response from the Contracting Office at this time.

On March 22, 2011 we have contacted the offices of Representative Howard Coble, Senator Richard Burr, and the Small Business Administration to see if any assistance could be given to our company to aid us in the process of securing work under our contract.

Auditech & Associates

From: <info@goauditech.com>
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Cc: <lisa.romano@gsa.gov>; <mary.bates@gsa.gov>; <natalie.sykes@gsa.gov>; <elsie.harley@gsa.gov>; <cwalters@goauditech.com>
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 3:22 PM
Attach: GSA Letter.pdf
Subject: Re: Schedule 520 / Contract #GS-23F-0087W / Auditech & Associates, Inc (Marvin Walters)

Ms. Romano,

While we appreciate your response we are very disappointed in that response.

We fail to understand the decisions made so far that excludes our company from your post payment audit program. We would therefore challenge your position as outlined in your response:

Response:

Our office has a current contract in place for companies to provide post payment audit services to our Transportation Audits Program Office. Earlier this year, we made the decision to not re-solicit services. Based on current procurement policy laws, rules, and regulations, a company that never responded to a solicitation for services cannot be "added" to a current contract in place. Our office will not be able to execute any contractual actions to include your company in providing post payment audit services for our Transportation Audits Program office.

At this point we request a further review by your office and more consideration on our company's participation in the post payment audit process.

If your office is unable to allow a further review, we would request that this issue be referred to the "next level" that could provide additional review and consideration of our company. At this time we will be seeking additional avenues available to us that may assist our company.

We have outlined in the document attached to this email points that leads our company to question our exclusion from participation in the post payment audit program.

We would appreciate your prompt response as to how this will be handled by your office.

Marvin L. Walters
Auditech & Associates, Inc.
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Tel 336.889.3069

----- Original Message -----

From: lisa.romano@gsa.gov
To: cwalters@goauditech.com ; info@goauditech.com
Cc: lisa.romano@gsa.gov ; mary.bates@gsa.gov ; natalie.sykes@gsa.gov ; elsie.harley@gsa.gov

3/22/2011

Sent: Friday, March 18, 2011 1:04 PM

Subject: Schedule 520 / Contract #GS-23F-0087W / Auditech & Associates, Inc (Marvin Walters)

Mr. Walters:

Thanks for contacting me about procurement related questions in regard to the existing Transportation Post Payment audits contracts.

I would be happy to provide some clarity in responding to your question.

Question: *Can a new contractor that has been awarded a MAS Schedule Contract to provide post payment audit services to GSA, participate in the existing GSA Solicitation for post payment audits and be issued a contract (task order) for work?*

Response:

Our office has a current contract in place for companies to provide post payment audit services to our Transportation Audits Program Office. Earlier this year, we made the decision to not re-solicit services. Based on current procurement policy laws, rules, and regulations, a company that never responded to a solicitation for services cannot be "added" to a current contract in place. Our office will not be able to execute any contractual actions to include your company in providing post payment audit services for our Transportation Audits Program office.

Our office would like to provide you additional information about the Program Management that's administered under your Schedule 520. The Program Office for Schedule 520 is located in Crystal City (Arlington), Virginia. The following webpage provides some additional context about Schedule 520 and who you can contact.

<http://www.gsa.gov/portal/content/104504>

We recommend that you contact the following individuals:

Jeffrey Boyd - (703) 605-2183 - jeffrey.boyd@gsa.gov

Jacqueline Austin - (703) 605-2820 - jacqueline.austin@gsa.gov

Arlinda Halliburton - (703) 605-2826 - arlinda.halliburton@gsa.gov

These associates can better share additional information with your company about who's buying post payment audit services in addition whether there are any current or future solicitations available for agencies that need post payment audit services.

I hope this information helps and good luck on your schedule contract.

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Lisa Romano

General Services Administration / Federal Acquisition Service

Transportation Acquisition Support Division (QMAC)

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03/10/2011 08:57 AM

To <lisa.romano@gsa.gov>

cc <natalie.sykes@gsa.gov>, <mary.bates@gsa.gov>

Subject Contract #GS-23F-0087W

Ms. Romano,

Thank you for your email dated 3-4-11.

In a telephone conversation on March 2, 2011, Ms. Mary Bates stated to us that GSA had elected not to reissue the solicitation for post payment audits but had instead decided to modify the existing one. At that time she referred us to you for further discussions.

We would like to ask you the following question:

Can a new contractor that has been awarded a MAS Schedule Contract to provide post payment audit services to GSA, participate in the existing GSA Solicitation for post payment audits and be issued a contract (task order) for work?

Thank you and we would appreciate your prompt reply.

Marvin Walters
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3/22/2011

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March 21, 2011

RE: Attached to email to Ms. Lisa Romano dated March 21, 2011 (Page 1)

Below are points of consideration in reference to our request for further review of our company' participation in the post payment audit program.

1. GSA issued solicitation # FCXB-F4-020002B Refresh 10 inviting the private sector to make an offer to provide the services outlined in SIN 520-10. This invitation continues to be open today. We do not understand why this invitation would be made if GSA cannot make such work available to an awarded contractor.
2. We fail to understand why GSA would issue a Solicitation (RFQ) and Contracts (Task Orders for work) to approved contractors that are "evergreen" (one base year with four one year option periods) without maintaining the flexibility to take advantage of offers that become available that may provide better pricing, ability to complete available work, etc.
3. It appears to us that GSA would ensure that the U S Government takes advantage of best available pricing.
4. We were told by the Transportation Audits office in October, 2010 that a new solicitation may occur. We were told on November 30, 2010 that they were in the process of reissuing the solicitation and should "go out" in March, 2011. We were told on February 11, 2011 that there would be no new solicitation. We were told on March 18, 2011 that our company could not participate. We do not understand this progression.
5. A decision on February 11, 2011 not to reissue the solicitation knowing there was better pricing available for the work at hand confuses us.
6. We have been told by the Transportation Office that there is work available that no other present contractor has "bid" to provide the service. We have made it clear several times that our company was willing to provide the post payment audit service on this work. It is unclear why GSA would allow transportation documents to go unaudited because current contractors chose not to provide this service on these documents when an approved new contractor is willing to perform this work.
7. We are unclear how GSA could issue a new solicitation in March, 2009 and then award a contract to our company in August, 2010; yet disqualify us from participation because we did not respond to the solicitation in March, 2009.
8. GSA has acknowledged that work exist that is not being performed by existing contractors. With our economy struggling with employment issues and with the current Administration struggling with job creation issues, would it not be prudent by our Government to allow a new contractor the opportunity to complete this work.

AUDITECH ASSOCIATES,

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March 21, 2011

RE: Attached to email to Ms. Lisa Romano dated March 21, 2011 (Page 2)

Below are points of consideration in reference to our request for further review of our company' participation in the post payment audit program.

9. We have seen the contract terms offered by GMG Management Consulting, Inc. on GSA Advantage. We do not understand how they would be issued an award on January 10, 2006 and then participate in a solicitation that was issued in 2004. Yet our company is being denied participation in the 2009 solicitation. The sales reports for Sin 520-10 shows payments have been made for FY2007 of \$39,103, FY2008 of \$138,420, and FY2009 of \$156,771.
10. We have seen the contract terms offered by Parsifal. They offer pricing of 50% of recovery on a post payment audit. We do not understand our exclusion from the post payment audit program when our company was approved and offers pricing of 25% of recovery on a post payment audit. The sales reports for Sin 520-10 shows payments have been made for FY2005 of \$1,054, FY2006 of \$10,384, FY2007 of \$12,840, FY2008 of \$21,417, and FY2009 of \$71,601.
11. We fail to understand why our company would be excluded from any opportunity to provide second post payment audit work while we have seen the contract terms offered by The Commercial Traffic Co. Pricing has been offered by them between 26.25%-36% (depending on mode) of recovery on the second post payment audit while our company has established pricing of 25% (for all modes) of recovery for the same audit. The sales reports for Sin 520-10 shows payments have been made for FY2004 of \$585,124, FY2005 of \$963,524, FY2006 of \$411,781, FY2007 of \$313,891, FY2008 of \$483,807, and FY2009 of \$607,456. A total of \$3,365,583 paid in the last 6 years.
12. It is our understanding that GSA does not have to reissue their solicitation (RFQ) to distribute work or issue contracts (task orders). During a telephone conversation with Ms. Romano on March 3, 2011, I brought up this understanding which Ms. Romano stated was the decision of Ms. Mary Bates and never stated that our company could not participate in the solicitation.

We do not understand why distribution of work or contract issuance is in question when regulation 52.216.22 (Indefinite Quantity) made reference to the solicitation states "this is an indefinite quantity contract for the supplies or services specified". It appears this gives GSA the ability to distribute the work to their advantage. We would see no reason why our company could not be included by GSA when they issue their 2011 contracts (task orders) for their second post payment audit.

Livingston, Lori (Burr)

From: info@goauditech.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2011 2:51 PM
To: Livingston, Lori (Burr)
Subject: Auditech & Associates - GSA Contract #GS-23-F0087W
Attachments: SenatorRBurr.pdf


Ms. Livingston,


Thank you for speaking with me earlier today regarding our Contract #GS-23-F0087W with General Services Administration.


I have attached information regarding our pursuit of work under this contract. Any assistance your office could give us would be greatly appreciated. Securing this work would be great for the State of North Carolina.


I look forward to hearing from you.


Marvin L. Walters
Auditech & Associates, Inc.
2207 Eastchester Drive Suite 105
High Point, NC 27265
Tel 336.889.3069


 Pam J. Roller 05/24/2011 01:05 PM May 24, 2011 194067 Rep Burr Follow up (incoming).pdf

 Pam J. Roller 05/24/2011 01:08 PM Information Copies Sent to: Charmaine Dunn, Joanie R. Woolen, Dawn Montgomery, Gwendolyn H. Walker, Janice M. Powell, LeShonne Smith. Subject: Information Copy from Pamela Roller for (ADE) - Executive Secretariat Division # 194067 Message: Please note followup correspondence from Senator Burr's office. Constituent has had further communication with the Transportation Audit Office at GSA.

 Joanie R. Woolen 05/24/2011 01:57 PM Information Copies Sent to: Dana Simpkins, Shizua Oliver. Subject: Information Copy from Joanie Woolen for (ADE) - Executive Secretariat Division # 194067 Message: Please note followup correspondence from Senator Burr's office. Constituent has had further communication with the Transportation Audit Office at GSA.

 Dawn Montgomery 05/24/2011 03:58 PM Attachement tab #4 was sent to LP for review.

 Dawn Montgomery 06/24/2011 12:53 PM Information Copies Sent to: Joanie R. Woolen, Eleni Martin, Gwendolyn H. Walker, Jennifer N. Epps, Janice M. Powell, LeShonne Smith, Pam J. Roller. Subject: Information Copy from Dawn Montgomery for (ADE) - Executive Secretariat Division # 194067 Message: Per Thedlus Thompson in LP, L finds this control to be legally sufficient. Please log this out of OGC. Information Copies Sent to: Joanie R. Woolen, Eleni Martin, Gwendolyn H. Walker, Jennifer N. Epps, Janice M. Powell, LeShonne Smith, Pam J. Roller.

 Pam J. Roller 06/27/2011 10:05 AM Information Copies Sent to: Charmaine Dunn, Joanie R. Woolen. Subject: Information Copy from Pamela Roller for (ADE) - Executive Secretariat Division # 194067 Message: The following control's draft, document #2/DOCUMENT TAB has been concurred on by L & S and is now being returned to you for final. Please upload the signed and dated document under ATTACHMENTS TAB.

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To: Rodney Emery

From: Zach Zampella

Pages: 3 (Including cover)

Date: 5/2/2011

Fax: 202-219-5742

Re: Norville, Gary F.
American Aero Services

Comments:

I would greatly appreciate it if you could review this matter and provide a response. Please address your response to Senator Marco Rubio c/o Zach Zampella at 201 S. Orange Ave., Suite 350, Orlando, FL 32801.

Best Regards,

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Zach Zampella

Senior Constituent Services Representative

Zachary_Zampella@rubio.senate.gov

U.S. Senator for Florida, Marco Rubio

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Email Address: Gary@AmericanAeroServices.com
Telephone: (b) (6)
Address 1: (b) (6)
Address 2:
City, ZIP Code: (b) (6)
County:
Date of Birth:
Social Security Number:
Federal Agency Involved: U.S. General Services Administration
Veteran's Claim Number:
Military Branch of Service:
Military Rank:
Alien Registration Number:
On Behalf of Family Member:
Other Office Contacted: None
Telephone: (b) (6)

Hello Marco, first let me say again, it was a pleasure hosting your event at American Aero Services in New Smyrna Beach last October.

The problem I'm having is American Aero Services has applied with the U.S. General Services Administration to be listed as a vendor through the use of a GSA Schedule Contract. We have placed an offer to be a vendor under Solicitation TFTP-MB-008745-B and have been told that it will take over one year to be accepted as a GSA vendor, that will cost us a year of potential work on a coast that is already hit hard by layoffs. I understand that being a vendor won't guarantee work but it will at least

4/21/2011

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have us listed with the GSA.

**Detailed Description of
Problem:**

The contact information for our contracting officer is:

Maureen Duckworth

Federal Acquisition Service, AQSAC

Management Services Center

400 15th Street SW

Auburn, WA 98001-6599

Thank You
Gary Norville

Signature:

(b) (6)

Date:

4-21-11

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RICHARD BURR
NORTH CAROLINA

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3308

May 13, 2011

Mr. Rodney Emery
Acting Associate Administrator
General Services Administration
Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Aff.
1800 F Street, NW Room 6105
Washington, District of Columbia 20405-0001

Dear Mr. Wootten:

Enclosed is a copy of correspondence I have received from my constituent, Tom Zgoda of Li-ion Motors Corp., concerning the difficulties his company has experienced in securing a contract with the General Services Administration. I believe that you will find this letter to be self-explanatory.

I would appreciate it if you would review the enclosed correspondence and provide me with any information that may be helpful to my constituent.

I am grateful for any assistance you may be able to provide in this matter.

Sincerely,



Richard Burr
United States Senator

RB:ll

Enclosure



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May 12, 2011

Richard Burr
U. S. Senator of North Carolina
217 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Burr,

As GM/Plant Manager for Li-ion Motors Corp., formerly known as EV Innovations, we have been working diligently for the last two years to secure a contract with the GSA. Obtaining this award would enable us to expand our facility and contribute to the Green Effort on a much larger scale.

In addition, securing this government contract would allow for the creation of approximately 300 direct and indirect employment opportunities in the state of North Carolina.

We have lowered our pricing at the request of the GSA to be more 'competitive'. Li-ion Motors has re-identified its AS&E pricing at \$59,500 for the Liv Wise (7E) and \$69,500 (8E) for the Liv Harmony only for them to come back with pricing between 33K - 37K. Our cost is above their pricing.

In our opinion, the competition they are basing their pricing on does not compare to the vehicles we are offering.

I am sincerely hoping to gain your support and ask that contact be made to the GSA contracting officer by your office on our behalf.

Laurel A. Weiskopf
Contracting Officer
Automotive Acquisition Support Division (QMAA)
(703) 605-5721

Respectfully,

(b) (6)

Tom Zgoda
GM/ Plant Manager
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GSA Southeast Sunbelt Region

SEP 13 2011

The Honorable Marco Rubio
United States Senator
201 South Orange Avenue, Suite 350
Orlando, FL 32801

Dear Senator Rubio:

Thank you for your July 1, 2011 inquiry sent on behalf of Mr. Guy Reese. Mr. Reese is seeking assistance with making application to qualify for the Section 179D Federal energy tax deductions for the five Custom and Immigration Services facilities he constructed for the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA).

In order to qualify, a current full set of architectural plans, including all specifications, must be submitted with the application. However, due to potential security risks, the GSA does not release building plans to non-federal entities. On August 3, 2011, we provided Mr. Reese with a letter to be included with his application that gives the GSA point of contact so the Internal Revenue Service personnel reviewing the application can obtain access to the required plans. Mr. Reese was in agreement with this solution and satisfied with the letter we provided.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your staff may call Ms. Meredith Lilly, Special Assistant to the Regional Administrator, at (404) 331-3200.

Sincerely,

(b) (6)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Shyam K. Reddy".

Shyam K. Reddy
Regional Administrator

U.S. General Services Administration
77 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30303-3458
www.gsa.gov



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* Title: (select one) ☒ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Mr. & Mrs. ☐ Rev. ☐ Doctor ☐ Other: _____
* Name: Lawrence Reese * Date of Birth: (b) (6)
* Address: (b) (6) * City: (b) (6) State: (b) (6)
* County: (b) (6) * Zip code: (b) (6) * Home Phone: () (b) (6)
Work Phone: (b) (6) * Mobile Phone: (b) (6) Fax: () (b) (6)
E-mail Address: (b) (6)

Issue: (select one) ☒ Immigration ☐ Veterans ☐ Social Security ☐ Other: _____

If you have contacted another congressional office to assist you, please list the office:

Name of Office Contacted: N/A

Please Complete the Sections That Apply to Your Case:

Alien Number: N/A Military Rank and Unit: N/A

Type of Application Filed: N/A Claim/Receipt Number: N/A
(Ex: N-400, I-130, SSI, SSD, EEOC, CMS-855)

Social Security Number: (b) (6)

* Briefly describe the nature of your problem and what outcome would you like from this inquiry:

need assistance with 179D tax savings program - permission from USCIS / GSA to complete application

I have discussed my concerns with Senator Marco Rubio and/or his representative(s), and request that any relevant information that is required to assist in responding to my inquiry may be furnished upon request.

☐ Yes, I would like to receive Senator Marco Rubio's electronic newsletter.

* Signature: (b) (6) * Date: 6/30/11

Please mail or fax completed form to:
U.S. Senator Marco Rubio
201 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 350
Orlando, Florida 32801
Fax: (407) 423-0941

If you have any questions or comments, please call us at (407) 254-2573 or toll-free in Florida (866) 630-7106

Sykes, Todd (Rubio)

From: Guy Reese <(b) (6)>
Sent: Friday, July 01, 2011 10:08 AM
To: Sykes, Todd (Rubio)
Subject: 179D Checklist Form
Attachments: PreConsharp@mossemail.com_20110701_101055.pdf

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Todd,

Attached is the checklist form for the 179D tax savings plan. I will also send you the latest correspondence between GSA and US CIS trying to get someone to release us on providing the detailed information on the checklist form

Guy

Sykes, Todd (Rubio)

From: Guy Reese <(b) (6)>
Sent: Friday, July 01, 2011 10:15 AM
To: Sykes, Todd (Rubio)
Subject: FW: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

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Todd,

Below is the string correspondence between US CIS and GSA that has me at a dead end getting the release on the drawing details for the 179D tax credit that we are eligible for as the contractors that build the buildings, solely since they are privately owed and leased back to the Federal Government.

Since these buildings are leased by US CIS, a department of Homeland Security, we have to get permission to transmit any information regarding these projects for security reasons. I am sure this has been something that has been dealt with before.

Anything Senator Rubio's office can do to help us expedite the process would be greatly appreciated.

If you need additional information on the properties themselves, please let me know. The sites were referred to as:

- Hialeah US CIS
- Kendall US CIS
- Oakland Park US CIS
- Miami HQ US CIS
- Palm Beach US CIS

Thanks,

Guy Reese

Vice President | Moss & Associates

o (954) 769-8136 | m (b) (6) | f (954) 524-5677
2101 N. Andrews Ave., Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

From: edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov [mailto:edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 23, 2011 1:35 PM
To: Guy Reese
Subject: RE: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Guy,

That needs to come from CIS we can not authorize any release of information without a Freedom of Information filed with the Federal Government.

Butch

Edward E. Zachary, RPA, FMA
Regional Account Manager
Department of Homeland Security

Southeast Sunbelt Region (Region 4)
205 Regency Executive Park, Suite 440 - A
Charlotte, North Carolina 28217

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Cell Phone: (b) (6)

"Guy Reese" <(b) (6)>

To <edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov>
cc "Chad Moss" <(b) (6)>
Subject RE: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

05/23/2011 01:26 PM

Butch,

What steps do we need to take to get your approval (release) on the details / drawings so we can submit for the tax credit? The details are required to allow the entity sponsoring the program to see if the design complies with their requirements.

All appropriate party and contact information would be made available on the submission so you would know where it goes.

Guy

From: edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov [mailto:edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 23, 2011 1:19 PM
To: Guy Reese
Cc: Chad Moss
Subject: RE: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Guy,

No one in my region knows anything about this program.

Thanks
Butch

Edward E. Zachary, RPA, FMA
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"Guy Reese" <(b) (6)>

05/23/2011 01:14 PM

To <edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov>
cc "Chad Moss" <(b) (6)>
Subject RE: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Butch,

Any word on this?

Guy

From: Guy Reese
Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2011 1:05 PM
To: Edward Zachary (edwarde.zachary@gsa.gov)
Subject: FW: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Butch,

Take a look at this and see if anyone in Real Estate knows about this. We have contacts you can reach out to if you have any questions on the program.

Hope you are well.

Thanks,
Guy

From: Jennings, Brian J [mailto:brian.jennings@dhs.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2011 11:02 AM
To: Guy Reese
Subject: RE: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Guy,

We forwarded it to GSA since the contract for the building is technically theirs.



Brian J. Jennings
Project Manager
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Field Support Center
Facilities Project Management Branch

Main Office: 802-872-4114
Direct: 802-872-4123
Fax: 802-951-6436

From: Guy Reese [mailto: (b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2011 10:54 AM
To: Jennings, Brian J
Subject: FW: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Any word on this?

From: Guy Reese
Sent: Friday, April 22, 2011 1:20 PM
To: Jennings, Brian J
Subject: Tax Credit - US CIS Projects (South Florida)

Brian,

Greetings! Hope you are doing well.

I have recently been charged by my employers to look into a program that is offered as an employment tax credit to Contractors for being involved on government projects such as the US CIS buildings. It is called the "179D EAct" and requires a checklist form to be filled out, included with floor plans and cut details from the projects to allow them to perform a design review to see if they qualify for this program.

I am aware of the confidentiality agreement the designers and property owners have with US CIS regarding the sharing of information / details involved with these buildings. Since this program is sponsored by the Federal Government, can you

allow an approval for this submission to be provided?

I would really appreciate if you could give me a call anytime next week to discuss this. I can put you on to the people involved with the submittal and checklist they require for the program qualification review process. After the settlement for payments that was imposed upon us, anything we can recover to offset our losses would greatly help our company out on the financial end.

Thanks and hope you are doing well.

Thanks,

Guy Reese

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Building Name_____

179D EAct Information Checklist

Physical Address of the Location: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Approximate Square Footage:_____ Number of Floors:_____

Entity Claiming the Deduction:

Person's Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Is the Building Circle One: **Privately Owned** **Government Owned** or **Leased**

Onsite Verification:

Contact Name: _____

Circle One: Architect Representative / Onsite Representative

Phone at the Location: _____

Approval for EDSS to Call the Contact Directly- Circle One: Yes / No

The year the building was placed into Service: _____

The Total Cost of the Project: \$ _____

Drawings - Send to EDSS: amregnier@edssenergy.com
7892 W. Grand River
Brighton, MI 48114

Data needed for all Projects

- CAD version of building floor plan
- Lighting Layout Drawings and Schedule (Includes: Reflected Ceiling Plan and Electrical Plans Showing Switching) (Format can be PDF, DWG, or Printed and Mailed to us)
- HVAC Mechanical Drawings and Schedules (Format can be PDF, TIFF, JPEG, DWG, or Printed and Mailed to us)
- Elevations, Section Cuts, Details of the Building, Walls & Roof (Format can be PDF, TIFF, JPEG, DWG, or Printed and Mailed to us)
- Window and Door Drawings and Schedules (Format can be PDF, TIFF, JPEG, DWG, or Printed and Mailed to us)

Data only needed under certain criteria:

- Utility Rebate: Construction Schedule and Utility Company (Invoice only for buildings completed in 2010)
- 179D Transfer Tax Deduction (only if it is a transfer for Non Profit and Government Buildings)

Special Rule for Allocation of the Deduction for General Contractors and Designers

Part 1 **Property Information**

Property Name _____

Property Address _____

Date the Property was placed in service _____

Property Cost _____

Amount of the 179D deduction allocated to the Designer _____

Part 2 **General Contractor/ Designer Information**

General Contractor/ Designer Name _____

General Contractor/ Designer Address _____

GC/ Designer Phone Number _____

Authorized GC/ Designer Representative Name _____

Authorized GC/ Designer Representative Title _____

Part 3 **Owner Information**

Owner name _____

Owner Address _____

Owner Phone Number _____

Authorized Owner Representative Name _____

Authorized Owner Representative Title _____

Part 4 **Declaration**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this allocation, including accompanying documents, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the facts presented in support of this allocation are true, correct, and complete.

Sign Signature of Authorized
Here Owner Representative

_____ Date

Sign Signature of Authorized
Here Owner Representative

_____ Date

Purpose of Form

~~THIS FORM IS FOR THE~~ This is the Owner's agreement to allocate the IRS 179D deduction to the person primarily responsible for designing the property (the designer) or the general contractor (GC).

from clara.smith@gsaig.gov

[hide details](#) 10:57 AM (6 minutes ago)

to pamela.roller@gsa.gov,
jennifer.epps@gsa.gov

cceleni.martin@gsa.gov

date Tue, Oct 11, 2011 at 10:57 AM

subject E2 Correspondence

mailed-gsaig.gov

by

Important mainly because of the

people in the conversation.

Please close out correspondence controls # 201967 and 206327.

Thanks a million.

Clara M. Smith
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Re: Ross, Eric N.

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Best Regards,

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* Title: (select one) ☒ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Mr. & Mrs. ☐ Rev. ☐ Doctor ☐ Other: _____

* Name: Eric N. Ross * Date of Birth: 02/05/1973

* Address: (b) (6) * City: (b) (6) * State: (b) (6)

* County: (b) (6) * Zip code: (b) (6) * Home Phone: (b) (6)

Work Phone: (b) (6) * Mobile Phone: (b) (6) Fax: () _____

E-mail Address: (b) (6)

Issue: (select one) ☐ Immigration ☐ Veterans ☐ Social Security ☒ Other: (b) (6)

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Alien Number: _____ Military Rank and Unit: _____

Type of Application Filed: _____ Claim/Receipt Number: _____
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Social Security Number: _____

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See Attached.

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☒ Yes, I would like to receive Marco Rubio's electronic newsletter.

* Signature: (b) (6) * Date: 13 MAY 11

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Dear Senator Rubio:

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In order to qualify, a current full set of architectural plans, including all specifications, must be submitted with the application. However, due to potential security risks, the GSA does not release building plans to non-federal entities. On August 3, 2011, we provided Mr. Reese with a letter to be included with his application that gives the GSA point of contact so the Internal Revenue Service personnel reviewing the application can obtain access to the required plans. Mr. Reese was in agreement with this solution and satisfied with the letter we provided.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your staff may call Ms. Meredith Lilly, Special Assistant to the Regional Administrator, at (404) 331-3200.

Sincerely,

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Shyam K. Reddy
Regional Administrator

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December 1, 2011

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

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United States Senate
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Director
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Ranking Member, Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable Jo Ann Emerson
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Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable Jose Serrano
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Committee on Appropriations
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Ranking Member, Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
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Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
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Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Financial Services
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United States Senate
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United States Senate
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GSA Administrator

December 1, 2011

The Honorable Jeff Sessions
Ranking Member, Committee on Budget
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Sessions:

I am pleased to provide you with the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) fiscal year (FY) 2011 Agency Financial Report. This report was prepared in accordance with the Reports Consolidation Act of 2000 and highlights key accomplishments in our programs and financial management for the past year.

In FY 2011, GSA received another unqualified "clean" opinion from our independent auditors. This outstanding accomplishment demonstrates to taxpayers and our customers that we manage our operations with the same stewardship that they apply to managing their own funds. The report is also available at GSA.gov/annualreport.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Staff inquiries may be directed to Mr. Rodney P. Emery, Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. He can be reached at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martha Johnson".

Martha Johnson
Administrator

Enclosure

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February 8, 2012

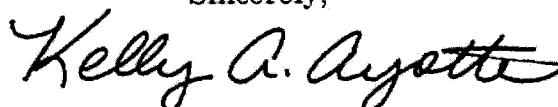
Associate Administrator Rodney Emery
Associate Administrator
General Services Administration
1800 F Street NW Room 6105
Washington, DC 20405-0001

Dear Associate Administrator Emery:

Enclosed please find a privacy waiver from my constituent, Robert Lottero of Jefferson, NH, President of Northern Technology, Inc. Mr. Lottero is requesting my assistance with his long pending application/proposal seeking a GSA MAS award under SIN 426 7, Professional Law Enforcement Services. This proposal was submitted in December of 2010, and there has been no response from GSA on whether an award will be made.

Any information you can provide my office on this inquiry would be appreciated. Please direct the response to my Manchester, NH office at 1200 Elm Street, Manchester, NH 03101 to the attention of Steve Monier. If you have any questions, you may contact him at 603-622-7979.

Sincerely,



Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senator

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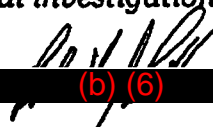
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The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senate
New Hampshire

Dear Senator Ayotte:

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Name: ROBERT J. LETTOREO for NTI (PLEASE PRINT) SS# (b) (6)

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Thank You



GSA Greater Southwest Region

April 16, 2012

The Honorable Kelly Ayotte
Attention: Steve Monier
United States Senate
1200 Elm Street
Manchester, NH 30101

Dear Senator Ayotte:

Thank you for your email inquiry dated February 8, 2012, concerning the status of Northern Technology, Inc.'s (NTI's) proposal to obtain a U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) contract.

The Greater Southwest Acquisition Center (GSAC) received NTI's proposal, submitted under solicitation 7FCI-L3-030084-B, on December 6, 2010. After an initial review the offer was assigned to Sharon Hair, Contracting Officer, on January 13, 2011. The offer was further reviewed by Ms. Hair and clarifications were required. Therefore, a letter was sent to NTI on December 8, 2011. NTI submitted their response to the clarification letter on December 12, 2011, and it is now pending review.

The GSA, MAS program has experienced a tremendous increase in new proposals. Due to the large number of proposals in process, we are working under a heavy backlog and it is anticipated that it could take several months before the current proposal is ready for further evaluation and negotiation.

Under these circumstances it is important to understand how we prioritize our workload. Our first priority is to respond to the needs of the Federal agencies. Any request for support, from prioritizing offers to answering questions, reviewing documents, or providing advice, comes first.

Second, we focus on administering our existing contracts. This includes the exercise of options and other changes to contracts. This lets us focus most where the greatest number of tax dollars is at risk, and where we can do the most good for the American people.

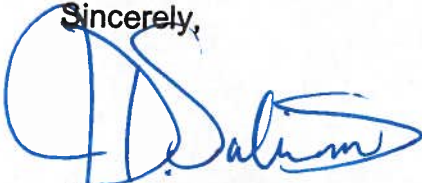
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Third, our practice is to evaluate new proposals in the order, in which they are received. However, GSA may give priority to processing certain proposals when circumstances dictate, such as when a federal agency Contracting Officer specifically requests an expedited proposal review in order to meet a pending requirement that will be procured under the MAS program, or when there is a need for GSA to bring strategically critical new products or services to market in order to meet federal customer needs.

The processing of other proposals such as the one from NTI, where we don't have an expression of interest from a federal agency, is a lower priority activity. We are also working to identify further efficiencies and process improvements to alleviate the backlog, but in the meantime, proposals in-house without sufficient customer demand will experience long lead times. Based on this, Ms. Hair will make every effort to process it as expeditiously as possible.

We appreciate your constituent's interest in doing business with GSA. If you have any additional questions, please contact me or Mr. Rodney P. Emery, Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,



Juan D. Salinas, III
Regional Administrator



U.S. General Services Administration

MAY 24 2012

The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
United States Senator
19 Pleasant Street, Suite 13B
Berlin, NH 03570

Dear Senator Ayotte:

Thank you for your letter dated April 12, 2012, on behalf of your constituent Mr. Henry Kober, Owner and President of DC1 Furniture, Inc. Mr. Kober sought assistance obtaining an extension of his company's GS-27F-0514H contract due to eMod application access issues he encountered which initially prevented DC1 Furniture from satisfying the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) requirements for an extension.

GSA worked closely with DCI, Inc. to resolve all issues, and as a result, their GSA contract was extended on April 27, 2012.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Rodney P. Emery, Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at 202-501-0563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sara Manzano-Diaz".

Sara Manzano-Diaz
Regional Administrator

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April 12, 2012

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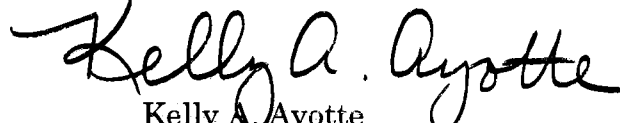


Dear Associate Administrator Emery:

Enclosed please find a privacy waiver I received from my constituent, Henry Kober, Owner and President of DCI Furniture, Inc. Mr. Kober is requesting assistance with GSA contract GS-27F-0514H, which expired on 11/29/2011. He has attempted to fulfill the GSA requirements for extension of this contract since late in 2011, but has had issues accessing the eMod application.

Any information you can provide that would assist me in responding to Mr. Kober's concerns would be appreciated. Please direct the response to my Berlin, NH office located at 19 Pleasant Street Suite 13B, Berlin, NH 03570 to the attention of Michael Scala. If you have any questions you may contact him at 603-752-7702.

Sincerely,


Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senator

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DATE April 11, 2012

The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senate
New Hampshire

Dear Senator Ayotte:

I hereby authorize you to obtain information from the General Service Administration in order that you may assist me with the following problem:

DCI manufactures and installs institutional furniture to Universities and Military Bases throughout the World. We are located in Lisbon. We employ 200 people, and we are a significant part of the economy in the North Country. The loss of our GSA contract would be devastating to our company and the local economy.

Our GSA Contract, GS-27F-0514H, expires at the end of April. On 13 March, after several requests from our company, over a period of several months, I received an email from the Contracting Specialist at the GSA explaining what we needed to submit for an option extension to the contract. We were asked to submit our response via eMOD by 3/21/12. Because of problems we had in accessing the eMod system which we are trying to resolve, I contacted the Contract Specialist today to see if I could get permission to submit our response by paper vs. electronically.

I was told that wasn't possible and that further, because we missed the 3/21 request date, that there would not be enough time for the GSA to evaluate our response and that our company would have to reapply to obtain a new contract.

We have held this contract continuously since 1996 and as I stated above, the loss of our GSA Contract, would result in an immediate and significant loss of good paying manufacturing jobs to the town of Lisbon and the States of New Hampshire and Vermont.

Thank you.

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Signature: (b) (6)

Phone #: (b) (6)

Name: HENRY KOBER FOR DCI, INC
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Thank You

MFS

**Office of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio**

201 S. Orange Ave., Suite 350
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Phone 407-254-2573
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To: Rodney Emery

From: Jason Teaman

Pages: 5 (Including cover)

Date: 8/8/2012

Fax: 202-219-5742

Re: D'Alonzo, Jeff

Comments:

I would greatly appreciate it if you could review this matter and provide a response. Please address your response to Senator Marco Rubio c/o Jason Teaman at 201 S. Orange Ave., Suite 350, Orlando, FL 32801.

Best Regards,

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Jason Teaman
Constituent Services Representative
(407) 254-2573
Jason_Teaman@Rubio.Senate.Gov

U.S. Senator for Florida, Marco Rubio**Casework Privacy Statement**

Before Senator Marco Rubio can make inquiries on your behalf, many federal agencies require that you send us a signed copy of the Privacy Act Waiver. Please fill out the information below, then manually fill in your Social Security number and sign the document before mailing or faxing to Senator Rubio's office.

Under the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby request and authorize Senator Rubio to intercede on my behalf, including the right to review all appropriated documentation that he or his staff deems necessary in connection with the application for assistance or any other action I have pending with the agency named below. I understand that any documents I provide to Senator Rubio or his staff may be copied and forwarded to officials of federal agencies involved in executing my request for assistance. I further understand that all federal agencies are allowed a minimum of 30 days to respond to congressional inquiries.

* Please note: This form is for printing only. This information will not be transferred by email or submitted into a database.

Full Name: JED'DALONZO

Email Address:

Telephone:

Address 1:

Address 2:

City, ZIP Code:

County:

Date of Birth:

Social Security Number:

Federal Agency Involved: GSA

Veteran's Claim Number:

Military Branch of Service:

Military Rank:

Alien Registration Number:

On Behalf of Family Member:

Other Office Contacted: Vern Buchanan

Telephone:

Detailed Description of Problem:

See attached letter to GSA which have gotten no response

Signature:

Date:

7-16-2012

Mail to:

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Diversified Material Specialist Incorporated

Date: 7-16-2012
Subject: ST. Elizabeth Project
To: Marco Rubio

Mr. Rubio,

I have attached an email going to GSA which will give you a flavor of our complaint. I have also sent this complaint to my Congressman Vern Buchanan on 4-13-2012 as of today I have no definitive report from this staff on my complaint.

DMSI is a small manufacturer and was originally approved as a Vendor for some portions of the Fiber Connectivity requirements for the St. Elizabeth project. DMSI made numerous investments in sample Material and travel expenses to obtain this approval. We went through the bid process twice, more than once. We were later notified that GSA/Coast Guard HQ was requiring an end to end solution with only one supplier. Most US fiber Optic connectivity manufacturers make the passive components that interchange with all brands, and are all built to an industry standard. Usually on projects these products are awarded based on pricing and quality. DMSI has supplied numerous government projects interchanged with other manufacturers. When there is only one supplier then all the other possible alternatives and cost savings are nullified. This is as I believe an unfair business practice and is not a good use of governments' funds. I can tell you that on these same products where DMSI is a viable solution you could have saved 100's of thousands of dollars over the brand currently selected. I know from all the press this project is under extreme oversight in regards to budget.

I am sure if GSA does their due diligence in regards to pricing and understands the warranties in regards to passive components I am sure the cost savings would be well received.

DMSI would like a clear delineation on why GSA/Coast Guard end user changed the specifications to a one vendor solution. Especially when the some of the products needed is only manufactured by one or two companies, thus eliminating small manufacturers such as DMSI with an equal opportunity to participate as a vendor.

DMSI, would appreciate an answer and explanation to the above request.

Mr. Rubio we would appreciate any support you can give us to achieve our action.

Respectfully,

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Jeff D'Alonzo*LETTER SENT TO GSA*

From: Jeff D'Alonzo <(b) (6)>
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2012 8:25 PM
To: 'Dominic.Salli@gsa.gov'; 'Abigail.fiske@dhs.gov'
Cc: 'jiyoung.park@gsa.gov'; 'susan.brita@gsa.gov'; 'Brandon.Woodward'
(b) (6)
Subject: Saint Elizabeth's Project - New Coast Guard HQ

Mr. Salli,

Good morning. Please reference the project listed in subject above. DMSI is a small business manufacturer of Fiber Optic Connectivity Products. On this specific project we were approved for as a possible vendor via General Dynamics. Passive infrastructure products, fiber optic connectivity and cabling. Samples and specification sheets were submitted upon request, after GD's review, there were only 3 approved vendors: Corning, AFL, and DMSI. From day one, GD put each request for quote out to bidders stating to quote 'best cost per line item', and award would be based on cost per item.

Pricing for our products on the required material list were lower than Corning and AFL. But at the last minute, the contractor made a decision to go with an "All Corning" solution at a **higher cost** for the same products we make. We were told the government (**GSA**) **wanted the higher cost "end to end" solution**. Because of this decision, the rest of the life of this project is specified Corning solution only. This will make companies such as DMSI uncompetitive in a monopolized market. None of the Corning product is not exclusive in technology. All DMSI products that were quoted are passive. All products are equal in performance. All products are backwards compatible.

On this particular project we invested time and material to get short listed with Corning and AFL, only to find out after all the due diligence that a higher cost solution for the same/equal products was going to be used.

DMSI works very hard in a very competitive market to compete against companies with such large bank rolls as Corning and AFL. All that we ask is an equal and fair shot at the opportunity. IF we cannot compete in quality and price then we lose on those merits.

DMSI was surprised by the decision considering that this specific project is under such financial scrutiny. DMSI can save the Government money. DMSI has already a proven record on other Government/Military projects that we have won and delivered with success in addition to be the low cost provider..

We would like to request a face to face meeting with whomever is responsible or have over-sight on this project. We as a small company need to understand why GSA made this decision and how we can better in the future prepare ourselves to meet your needs.

I await your decision on when this meeting can occur....

Regards,

Jeff D'Alonzo
President/CFO

Teaman, Jason (Rubio)

From: Rubio, Casework (Rubio)
Sent: Friday, July 20, 2012 2:10 PM
To: Teaman, Jason (Rubio)
Subject: FW: Recent letter concerning GSA purchasing practices for St. Elizabeth project...

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

From: Jeff D'Alonzo [mailto: (b) (6)]
Sent: Friday, July 20, 2012 9:24 AM
To: Rubio, Casework (Rubio)
Cc: 'Brandon Woodward'; (b) (6)
Subject: Recent letter concerning GSA purchasing practices for St. Elizabeth project...

I understand today that the Inspector general is reviewing GSA for again outrageous expenditures....
If you review my letter again and ask the question from GSA why they did the change as described in my letter....
You might see funds for this project in amounts much greater than today's headlines....
You can see I have questioned GSA but got no responses from them...
I have more data we are holding close, and I am trying to approach this situation without accusing but questioning the practice and trying to understand their position...
But obviously they feel my email to all their staff does not require answering..

Please keep us informed of our complaint...

We will be more than happy to sit face to face and share information on a much deeper level....

Have a good weekend,

Jeff D'Alonzo
President/CFO



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January 30, 2013

Senator Marco Rubio
United States Senator
c/o Jason Teaman
2012 S. Orange Ave., Suite 350
Orlando, FL 32801

Dear Senator Rubio:

Thank you for your letter dated August 8 2012, on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Jeff D'Alonzo, President of Diversified Material Specialist Incorporated (DMSI), regarding Mr. D'Alonzo's request for an explanation as to why DMSI was not selected as a supplier of fiber-optic connectivity for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) St. Elizabeth's campus in Washington, DC.

GSA received correspondence from Representative Buchanan's office in June 2012 regarding the same issue on behalf of Mr. D'Alonzo, and we responded as follows:

On June 6, 2011, GSA awarded an \$876 million task order to General Dynamics One Source (GDOS) on behalf of DHS to perform work known as the Technology Integration Program (TIP). Under the task order, GDOS' duties are to install the information technology, physical security and intelligent building systems required to support the overall DHS HQ consolidation program on the St. Elizabeth's Campus in Washington, DC.

As part of these duties, GDOS is required to procure up to \$400M of products or materials necessary to meet the Government's overall objectives stated above. Fiber-optic connectivity is only one part of this requirement. While the task order specifies technical characteristics and other criteria that such products, including fiber-optic connectivity components, must meet, it does not dictate any particular solution such as multiple vendors or a single vendor. That decision was properly within the discretion of GDOS. Mr. D'Alonzo is misinformed: GSA did not make the selection nor did it have a preference for a one-vendor solution.

Once GDOS selected the products, including fiber-optic components, GSA's sole role was to review the products for technical compliance with the overall requirement and to ensure that the overall quantities and associated cost were within the ceiling amounts specified in the task order. As stated earlier, the pricing decision on each component was properly within the discretion of GDOS. GSA was not required to perform a best-value determination on these components because the components were acquired by its prime contractor GDOS and not GSA.

Accordingly, we recommend that Mr. D'Alonzo contact GDOS to discuss potential cost savings he believes his company may offer to the St. Elizabeth's project. A face-to-face meeting with GSA to discuss this issue, such as requested by Mr. D'Alonzo, cannot result in the relief that Mr. D'Alonzo wishes to see because GSA cannot mandate the selection of Mr. D'Alonzo's company by GDOS without a fundamental change to the GDOS contract.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Ms. Lisa Austin, Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. She can be reached at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,



Mary A. Davie
Acting Commissioner



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To: Rodney Emery

From: Jason Teaman

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Date: 10/15/2012

Fax: 202-219-5742

Re: Reisman, David

Comments:

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Best Regards,

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Privacy Act Consent Form

In accordance with the provisions of The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579), your written consent is required so that we may contact a federal agency on your behalf. Since e-mails do not contain a valid signature, they do not fulfill the requirements of the law. If you are inquiring on behalf of another person that is 18 or older, it is necessary that he or she sign this document. All information must be written in English.

Title: (select one) ☐ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Mr. & Mrs. ☐ Rev. ☒ Doctor ☐ Other: _____

Name: David (First Name) Reisman (Last Name)

Address: (b) (6) City: (b) (6) State: (b) (6)

Zip code: (b) (6) Phone: (b) (6) Cell: _____

E-mail Address: (b) (6) Date of Birth: (b) (6)

If you have contacted another congressional office to assist you, please list the office: _____

Federal Agency Issue: Prevented from submitting a NIH grant
(Please complete the sections that apply to your case on page 2)

BRIEFLY STATE YOUR PROBLEM AND WHAT OUTCOME YOU WOULD LIKE FROM THIS INQUIRY.

I was prevented from submitting a NIH grant (SFR), because of major issues with SAM: system Award Management. Problems with this new system delayed my application by 3 weeks. Hence, it was denied acceptance by NIH (too late to be considered).
① the people responsible held accountable ② written apology

Signature: (b) (6) Date: 10/1/12
I have discussed my concerns with _____ (names), and request that any relevant information be provided to assist in responding to my inquiry may be _____

Please return the completed form: By mail: U.S. Senator Marco Rubio
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By fax: (407) 423-0941
By email: casework@rubio.senate.gov

If you have any questions, please call the Orlando Regional Office at (407) 254-2573 or (866) 639-7106, toll-free in Florida.



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August 21, 2012

Dear Center for Scientific Review,

Please find attached our STTR application entitled "Establishing BRM Polymorphisms as Markers for Lung Cancer Risk" in response to PHS 2012-02 Omnibus Solicitation of the NIH for Small Business Technology Transfer Grant Applications (Parent STTR [R41/R42]) PA-12-089. Please consider assigning this application to the following:

Scientific Review Groups

Oncology 2 – Translational Clinical Integrated Review Group (OTC IRG)
Cancer Diagnostics and Treatments SBIR/STTR SEP [CDT ONC (12)]

Please note that the new central process center for grants (SAM), which just went live on July 30th has been essentially nonfunctional due to computer issues. Many people, including me, have not been able to migrate over our CCR data and/or complete our SAM registration, which is needed to submit NIH grants. Furthermore, correcting this situation has been hampered by the volume of people impacted by this problem. The SAM website has been frozen and inaccessible due to the volume of people trying to access it. Furthermore, the service phone help desk was completely overwhelmed, as it took 1-3 hours (and several such periods of time on different days) to get someone on the phone who eventually realized that there were ongoing serious computer problems. I was told (a week before the deadline) that I would be contacted in order to rectify this problem; however, I was initially not contacted for nearly a week, and at that time they told me it would take another 48 hours for SAM personnel to manually migrate everyone's account. List below are the dates and the ticket numbers showing the times and dates when I called the SAM help desk. I finally on Friday 8-17-2012,

I e-mailed the head of GSA, **Daniel Tangherlini**, since I was not having success with the SAM help desk. That day I was called by **Kelly Merriman** (Sr. Customer Service Technician System for Award Management (SAM/CCR)(269-961-7722), who told me the last major problem was going to be fixed over the weekend, however, my registration become deleted. So, I also work with **Bethany Round** 703 943 1047 (IBM subcontractor) who fixed the last problem with the SAM system for me on August 20th. I was contacted by **Meredith "Memi" Whitehead**, PMP Office of Government wide Policy General Service Administration (GSA) E-mail: meredith.whitehead@gsa.gov who informed me that SAM system would have updated my records by August 23rd and this would be the earliest date that I could submit my grant

Due the number of different ongoing problems, I have been forced to submit this approximately ~14 days past the deadline, though I have been attempting to submit this grant for about ~21 days, well before this grant due. Below at the contact dates and record numbers for my calls to the SAM help desk:

- 1) 120801-000832 08/01 2:23 pm
- 2) 120802-000041 08/02 8:44 am
- 3) 120803-000023 08/03 3:50pm
- 4) 120803-000063 08/03 6:41 pm
- 5) 120801-001059 08/06 3:47 pm
- 6) 120808-000860 08/08 3:33 pm
- 7) 120809-001476 08/09 7:49 pm
- 8) 120810-000122 08/10 9:39 am
- 9) 120813-000265 08/13 10:56 am
- 10) Kelly Merriman 8/17/2012 5:00 pm
- 11) Bethany Round 8/20/2012 1:00 pm

We have taken careful consideration of the recommendations made by NIH reviewers and we thank them for their time and efforts. To address reviewers' comments, the first publication supporting our hypothesis was published in April 2011 in *Oncogene*. Furthermore, preliminary data validating these initial findings were presented in abstract form at ASCO in June, 2012. We anticipate submission of publication a larger study by Geoff Liu to further validate our central hypothesis. Our new findings are in agreement with our first set of data generated at the University of Michigan, using 100 test and 100 control subjects; in this initial study, we detected a statistically significant relationship between the presence of two BRM polymorphisms and lung cancer risk. Moreover, as we know that BRM is silenced in many different cancer types, we suspect that this association could be found in other cancer types. To this end, Dr. Liu has found statistically significant correlation between these polymorphic sites and head/neck cancer risk, and this work has been submitted for publication as well. Hence, we are accumulating significant amounts of data that support our central hypothesis: *that BRM polymorphisms can be predictive of lung cancer risk.*

The problem: Currently, lung cancer mortality has not appreciably changed in 30 years. It is overwhelmingly the number one cause of cancer deaths in the US, and it kills more people than the next five causes of cancer combined. Though smoking has long been known to be a major contributing factor to lung cancer (and unfortunately also has lessened public sympathy for this disease), 20-25% of lung cancer patients are "never-smokers". Significantly, each year ~44,000 **never-smokers** develop lung cancer—and ~33,000 will die, making lung cancer among never-smokers the 6th leading cause of cancer death. To put this in perspective, more never-smokers die from lung cancer than those from renal cell cancer (~21K), melanomas (23.5K), non-Hodgkins lymphoma (20K), Leukemia (~22 K) or ovarian cancer (~14.0K). Hence, lung cancer is a major health concern and is a major cause cancer mortality in both smokers and non-smokers.

A principal reason the mortality for lung cancer is so high is there is no simple screen available for lung cancer, such as colonoscopy for colon cancer, to facilitate early diagnosis and reduce mortality. Recently, CT scans have shown great promise for lung cancer surveillance programs, confirmed by NIH-funded studies demonstrating by improve lung cancer survival with CT scan screening. Indeed, the American Cancer Society and the American Lung Association have now changed their guidelines to endorse CT scanning. One insurance company, Wellpoint, is paying for CT scanning for heavy smokers as means to cut health care costs related to late detection and treatment of advanced lung cancer. Despite these advances, the problem with CT scanning is the **cost and the lack of biomarkers** to identify those who would benefit from CT screening.

While smoking is the major risk factor for lung cancer, only 10% of smokers get lung cancer. This combined with the fact that 17 million Americans are either current or former smokers, means that the

cost of widespread implementation of CT scanning (~\$1800 per scan) would not only be exorbitant (~\$30 billion per year) but also impractical, as each of the estimated 6000 scanners in the US would have to conduct 8 lung cancer scans per day. In addition, CT scanning has associated problems such as false positives and additional exposure to radiation. Hence, it is critical to determine the population at highest risk of developing this disease.

The solution. We must risk-stratify all potential lung cancer patients in order to focus our limited health care dollars on those patients most likely to get lung cancer and thus benefit the most from lung cancer risk screening with CT scanning. To accomplish this, we must begin to understand and detect the molecular genetics (susceptibility or resistance genes) that cause people to get cancer. We know that polymorphisms in genes are genetic variables that impact gene function and predispose people to cancer development.

The purpose of this proposal is to determine whether polymorphisms in the BRM gene can serve as effective biomarkers for predicting lung cancer risk. These BRM polymorphisms are the first biomarkers that are known to play a functional role in lung cancer development. In the past, polymorphisms linked to cancer risk have not been validated when attempts are made to repeat studies to demonstrate these links. For this reason, it is key that we validate whether BRM polymorphisms are reliable predictors of lung cancer risk. To accomplish this, we will determine if this statistical association can be validated in different geographic populations, since such validation has failed in the past. Hence, we will conduct three 500 test and 500 control studies in two different regions, as this study design can produce more significant results than one large study of combined data.

1) We have forged a collaboration with Drs. David Carbone and Vicki Keedy, both lung oncologists at Vanderbilt University. Together we are working to search Vanderbilt's BioUV database and repository to identify lung cancer test subjects and matched controls. BioUV holds data from over 1750-2000 lung cancer subjects as well as purified DNA. We have conducted detailed searches and we have identified ~1200 potential lung cancer subjects for this study. Dr. Keedy will conduct and oversee a manual review of these to verify that they are appropriate test subjects and confirm their smoking histories. We will likely be able to genotype over 1000 lung cancer subjects as well as 1000 matched controls from this source.

2) We will genotype over 500 lung cancer subjects at University of Florida/Shands Hospital. So far, we have genotyped 250 lung cancer subjects, and interim analysis has shown that these BRM polymorphisms are predictive of lung cancer in this group. We estimate that, based on our frequency of lung cancer at University of Florida, we will easily be able to accrue another 300 test subjects to meet our objective of >500 lung cancer subjects analyzed. To accomplish this, we have a fulltime technician and a team of undergraduate students reviewing hospital records to identify lung cancer subjects as they enter the University of Florida Hospital.

3) We have developed a collaboration with Dr. Peruvemba Sriram MD, a lung cancer pulmonologist at the Gainesville VA. As he is running a number of lung cancer and pulmonary trials currently, and has a 4-person clinical trials team to oversee and execute these trials, it will be easy for him to set up and accrue 500 lung cancer test subjects from the VA. Currently, the Gainesville VA sees about 15-20 new or previously diagnosed lung cancer patients per week. Given Dr. Sriram's contact with these patients, and his clinical trials network, we should be able to accrue another set of 500 independent test subjects for our third group analysis. In addition, Dr. Sriram is running the Million Veteran project at the Gainesville VA, so he has access to a wide variety of potential control subjects.

The goal of this work is simple: verify that our newly identified polymorphisms are truly associated with lung cancer risk in different geographic populations and can thus serve as the one of the first

lung cancer biomarkers linked to gene function. In this Phase 1 study, we will look for whether the absence of functional BRM is associated with cancer risk, comparing hundreds of samples from lung cancer patients and controls. This work will set the stage for additional markers to be uncovered and hopefully a panel of markers to be developed to risk-stratify lung cancer patients. Such genetic panels are currently in clinical use—for example the OncoType DX panel, which helps risk-stratify patients for breast cancer recurrence after primary treatment. By establishing that these polymorphisms are valid markers of lung cancer risk, we can plan Phase 2 studies to bring these biomarkers into commercial development.

Sincerely,

David Reisman, MD, PhD
Associate Professor of Medicine and Cell Biology/Anatomy
University of Florida

Project Narrative

For NIH and other PHS agencies applications, this attachment will reflect the second component of the Project Summary. The second component of the Project Summary/Abstract (i.e., "Description") is **Relevance**. Using no more than two or three sentences, describe the relevance of this research to **public** health. In this section, be succinct and use plain language that can be understood by a general, lay audience

Confirming that the newly discovered BRM polymorphism correlates with cancer risk would lead to substantial progress in our ability to fight lung cancer. This potential marker will allow us to determine who is at higher risk for developing cancer, as well as allow us in the short term to stratify patients for cancer screening and chemoprevention. In the longer term, this work may help us develop targeted therapies to treat lung cancer more effectively.

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From: Rubio, Casework (Rubio)
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2012 3:42 PM
To: Teaman, Jason (Rubio)
Subject: GSA/NIH issue
Attachments: Rubio NIH grant 10-9-2012 001.pdf; STTRCoverletter 8-23-2012 rachelsedits.pdf; Project Narrative rachelsedits.doc

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From: Reisman, David N [mailto:dnreisman@ufl.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2012 4:18 PM
To: Rubio, Casework (Rubio)
Subject: FW: From the Office of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio

Dear Senator Rubio

Though this problem is probably relative minor (to you), there still needs to be level of professional conduct and responsibility demonstrated by government employees to fix and address issues to the best of their ability. Unfortunately, my problem was swapped under the carpet because the people involve couldn't easily fixed and they figure that I would just go away. To my knowledge, I did nothing wrong and try very hard to work with them even though essential all the problems stemmed from their launching a new system which was plague with problems. In short, I was screwed because GSA hired a terrible software contractor.

I have attached my cover letter for my grant application which outlines the problem that I encountered

Please note that I work hundreds of hours and many months to write this grant
We have developed a biomarker which can predict cancer risk. This is important as it essential that we risk stratified people clinically so we can give care to those who might need it the most
This is a potential breakthrough

Please call me if you need more details or names of those that help or got involved

Best Regards,

David Reisman M.D., Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Medicine
Division of Hematology/Oncology
Department of Internal Medicine

University of Florida

From: Senator Marco Rubio [mailto:Do_Not_Reply@Rubio.senate.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2012 3:36 PM
To: Reisman, David N
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Dear Dr. Reisman,

Thank you for contacting my office for assistance. Your expressed written consent is required by law. Please complete and sign the Privacy Act Consent Form attached to this email. Federal agencies will not release any information about your case without your signature on this document.

You may forward the completed Privacy Act Consent Form by mail and any attachments you wish to include to my Orlando Regional Office located at 201 South Orange Avenue, Suite 350, Orlando, FL 32801. You may also fax the form to (407) 423-0941. Should you have any questions and would like to speak with a member of my Casework Department, please call (407) 254-2573 or toll-free at (866) 630-7106.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Marco Rubio
United States Senator

Each week I provide a weekly update on issues in Washington and ways in which my office can assist the people of Florida. Sign up [here](#) for updates on my legislative efforts, schedule of events throughout Florida, constituent services and much more.



GSA Office of the Regional Administrator

APR 19 2011

The Honorable Marco Rubio
United States Senator
201 South Orange Avenue, Suite 350
Orlando, FL 32801

Dear Senator Rubio:

I hope this letter finds you well. First, let me congratulate you on your recent Senate win.


Thank you for your facsimile dated February 17, 2011, on behalf of your constituent Mr. Corey Mayerien, requesting information about AbilityOne Program opportunities with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). Mr. Mayerien's email states that his not-for-profit organization, NPACT, provides employment for service-disabled veterans and other adults through Florida's Wounded Warrior Project.

The Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (Committee) is the independent Federal agency that administers the procurement programs with the National Industries for the Blind (NIB) and the National Institute for the Severely Handicapped (NISH), the organizations with whom eligible applicable businesses must affiliate in order to do business with the federal government. The Committee's mission is to provide for employment opportunities in the manufacture and delivery of products and services to the federal government for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Although GSA is not directly responsible for or involved in the AbilityOne Program, we educate small businesses, non-profits, individuals and others about our small business goals, the Multiple Award Schedules program, and other GSA-related business. Accordingly, a GSA Business Development Specialist in the GSA Regional Office of Small Business Utilization contacted Mr. Mayerien on March 14, 2011, and explained the process of affiliation with NIB/NISH and placement on the Committee's Procurement List.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your staff may call Ms. Meredith Lilly, Special Assistant to the Regional Administrator, at (404) 331-3200.

Sincerely,


Shyam K. Reddy
Regional Administrator

U.S. General Services Administration
Southeast Sunbelt Region
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Atlanta, GA 30303-3458
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December 26, 2012

GSA Administrator

The Honorable Jerry Costello
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Representative Costello:

Due to your interest on behalf of your constituents, I am enclosing an explanatory statement for the negotiated sale of 1LT A. J. Ellison U.S. Army Reserve Center, a property that consists of a 17,199-square foot reserve center building of brick construction, a 3,713-square foot maintenance garage, and related parking on 4.01 acres of land in a single family residential area. The property, formerly owned by the U.S. Army Reserve, is located at 100 Anderson Avenue, Wood River, IL.

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If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Rodney P. Emery, Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

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FROM THE OFFICE OF U.S. SENATOR RAND PAUL

1029 State Street
Bowling Green, KY
42101
(270) 782-8303
(270) 782-4970 (fax)

Date: April 29, 2013

To: General Services Administration – Attn: Congressional Liaison

Fax Number: (202) 219-5742

From: Alexandra Baston

Total Pages Faxed (including cover): 6 pages

Congressional Inquiry:

**Re: Paul LaFontaine
Elsmere Fire District**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Alexandra Baston at (270) 782-8303. Thank you for your time and assistance regarding this matter.

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RAND PAUL
KENTUCKY

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

April 29, 2013

General Services Administration
1800 F Street NW 9th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Congressional Liaison:

RE: Paul C. LaFontaine, Chief
Elsmere Fire District

I am contacting you on behalf of the above referenced individual, who has contacted my office requesting assistance with his concerns regarding the security vulnerability in the System for Award Management (SAM). Please find attached Chief LaFontaine's Privacy Release for your review.

Upon reviewing the enclosed, please send any information regarding the status or resolution of this matter to my State Office in Bowling Green, Kentucky at:

U.S. Senator Rand Paul
1029 State Street
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact my Constituent Service Representative, Alexandra Baston, at 270-782-8303. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rand Paul". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Rand" and "Paul" being capitalized and prominent.

Rand Paul, M.D.
United States Senator



UNITED STATES SENATOR RAND PAUL

1029 STATE STREET
BOWLING GREEN, KY 42101
PHONE: (270) 782-8303

PRIVACY ACT RELEASE FORM

Due to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, permission in writing is required before making an inquiry on your behalf. Completing and signing this form authorizes U.S. Senator Rand Paul and those acting on his behalf to make inquiries to the appropriate federal agency on your behalf.

Date: 4-16-2013

☐ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs. ☒ Other: Fine Chief

Full Name: (b) (6)

Address: (b) (6) ☐ Home ☒ Work

City/State/Zip: (b) (6) County: _____

Phone#: Home (____) _____ Work (____) (b) (6) Cell (____) _____

Email Address: (b) (6)

Date of Birth: (b) (6) Marital Status: (b) (6)

If applicable to your request for assistance, please provide the following information:

Social Security #: _____ Veteran's Claim #: _____

Medicare #: _____ OPM CSA/CSF #: _____

Military Branch, Rank & Unit: _____

Alien Registration #: _____ CIS/DOS Receipt #: _____

Other numbers identifying your claim: _____

Have you contacted another Congressional Office? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which office have you contacted? McCormack

Are you working with an attorney in this matter? no

Persons to whom we can discuss your case (ex. Spouse): _____

Please provide a brief explanation of your problem or request with the below agency and specify how our office may be of assistance. Continue on another sheet if necessary. Send *photocopies only* of any documents you may have to support your claim. It is important for you to retain the originals for your files.

Federal Agency Involved: BSA - STM

Explanation / Request: _____

Attended

Signature: _____

(b) (6)

Date: _____

4-16-13

Once complete, please return to:

U.S. Senator Rand Paul
1029 State Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101



*Elsmere Fire
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P.O. Box 18451
Elsmere, KY 41018-0451

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April 16, 2013

United States Senator Rand Paul
1029 State Street
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Re: System for Award Management Security Incident

Dear Senator Paul,

I am writing today after receiving your Privacy Act Release Form and request for additional information. On Saturday March 16, 2013 I received an e-mail (copy attached) from Ms. Amanda Fredriksen notifying me of a security incident involving the Fire District's Identifying Information.

In order to continue to be eligible for FEMA funds, specifically the Fire Act Grant dollars, the Fire District was required to register with SAM, which I did on February 20, 2013. We have diligently tried to comply with a system which was launched apparently without proper Beta testing and which has demonstrated now that it is fraught with technical issues, glitches and now we find that it is openly subject to and has most likely already been hacked for our sensitive financial information about our districts accounts.

This is 100% totally unacceptable especially Ms. Fredriksen apology for any breaches in a system that our government controls and that has now opened everyone up to identity theft. The use of a system with a major security breach loophole in it such as to open the financial account information of all applicants to be stolen and used for illegal gain is quite frankly, unbelievable!

I am requesting that a full accounting and investigation occur here to determine the extent of the damage that has already occurred and the likelihood of continued damage. Their warning to monitor our accounts would tend to indicate to a reasonable person that they at this point do NOT really know if or how much information has already been illegally and maliciously purloined. Until they fix this SAM system and secure it properly, this SAM registration requirement must immediately be stopped and that all requirements for registration within it are waived until such time as the system has been fixed of all these glitches, bugs and security problems. I also request that everyone affected by this incident be constantly updated in a timely manner as to the status and when resolved.

Sincerely,

(b) (6)

Paul C. LaFontaine
Fire Chief

Paul Lafontaine

From: samadmin@sam.gov
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2013 1:09 AM
To: Paul Lafontaine
Subject: SAM Security Incident

Dear SAM user

The General Services Administration (GSA) recently has identified a security vulnerability in the System for Award Management (SAM), which is part of the cross-government Integrated Award Environment (IAE) managed by GSA. Registered SAM users with entity administrator rights and delegated entity registration rights had the ability to view any entity's registration information, including both public and non-public data at all sensitivity levels.

Immediately after the vulnerability was identified, GSA implemented a software patch to close this exposure. As a precaution, GSA is taking proactive steps to protect and inform SAM users.

The data contained identifying information including names, taxpayer identification numbers (TINs), marketing partner information numbers and bank account information. As a result, information identifiable with your entity registered in SAM was potentially viewable to others.

Registrants using their social security numbers instead of a TIN for purposes of doing business with the federal government may be at greater risk for potential identity theft. These registrants will receive a separate email communication regarding credit monitoring resources available to them at no charge.

In the meantime, we wanted you to be aware of certain steps that all SAM users may want to take to protect against identity theft and financial loss. Specific information is available at www.gsa.gov/samsecurity. If you would like additional background or have questions, you may call 1-800-FED-INFO (1-800-333-4636), from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (ET), Monday-Friday starting Monday, March 18. We recommend that you monitor your bank accounts and notify your financial institution immediately if you find any discrepancies.

We apologize for any inconvenience or concern this situation may cause. We believe it is important for you to be fully informed of any potential risk resulting from this situation. The security of your information is a critical priority to this agency and we are working to ensure the system remains secure. We will keep you apprised of any further developments.

Sincerely,

Amanda Fredriksen
Acting Assistant Commissioner
Integrated Award Environment



GSA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

June 4, 2013

The Honorable Rand Paul
United States Senator
1029 State Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Dear Senator Paul:

Thank you for your email correspondence dated April 29, 2013, requesting information on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Paul LaFontaine and his organization, Elsmere Fire District. The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) appreciates the opportunity to respond, and has conducted an examination into your inquiry.

Mr. LaFontaine expressed frustration regarding the recent security vulnerability in the System for Award Management (SAM), the system managed by GSA and used by anyone interested in doing business with the Government. Immediately after the vulnerability was identified, GSA implemented a software patch to close the exposure, offered credit monitoring services at no charge to users identified to be at higher risk, and set up phone and email hotlines to provide additional outlets to help address user concerns.

Mr. LaFontaine reached out to GSA, and several representatives from the SAM team spoke to him directly and attempted to allay his frustration. GSA is sensitive to Mr. LaFontaine's concerns, and continues to take proactive steps to protect SAM users' information.

The security of user data managed by the SAM system is of paramount importance to GSA. Since its launch in the summer of 2012, GSA continues to make improvements to the SAM system, to ensure that its functionality is available securely to all SAM users. Following the discovery, GSA has taken extensive measures to ensure that vulnerabilities are no longer present in the SAM system, and will continue to monitor, assess, and mitigate any concerns that may arise in the future.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lisa A. Austin".

Lisa A. Austin
Associate Administrator

U.S. General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW
Washington, DC 20405
www.gsa.gov
(202) 501-0563

To: Lisa AustinFrom: Kate PyleFax: 202-219-5742

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11/20/13Re: Lindsey Smith

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BERLIN, NH 03570

November 20, 2013


Ms. Lisa Austin
Associate Administrator
General Services Administration
1800 F Street NW Room 6105
Washington, DC 20405-0001

Dear Ms. Austin:

Enclosed is correspondence I have received from my constituent, Lindsey Smith, of Document Management Solutions, Inc in Londonderry, NH. I would appreciate if any information that you can provide on his invoice (#13560) would be sent to my office located at 14 Manchester Square, Suite 140, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

If you have any questions, please contact Kate Pyle in my Portsmouth Office by phone at (603) 436-7161 or by email at kate_pyle@ayotte.senate.gov.

Sincerely,


Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senator

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RELEASE OF INFORMATION

DATE 11/13/13

The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senate
New Hampshire

Dear Senator Ayotte:

I hereby authorize you to obtain information from GSA A/P in order that
you may assist me with the following problem:

(Please provide a short narrative)

BASICALLY WE HAVE TWO INVOICES. - BOTH INVOICES
HAVE THE SAME ISSUE.
PLEASE SEE INVOICE 13560 \$ 2100.00 10/10/13
2 INVOICE 13623 85489 11/7/13
ISSUE: FOR SEVERAL WEEKS AMY (SALES ASSOCIATE)
HAS BEEN TRYING TO OBTAIN FROM FED PAY, GSA,
GOV - A PASSWORD, ETC. SHE HAS CALLED SEVERAL
TIMES AND NO RESPONSE PLUS E-MAILS -
PLEASE SEE ATTACHED E-MAIL
SHE NEEDS SOME HELP.

Signature: (b) (6)Phone #: (b) (6)Name: ZINDSEY SMITH
(PLEASE PRINT)

SS#: _____

Address: _____

DOB: _____

(b) (6)
(City, State, Zip Code)

****Please be sure to sign the form where indicated and provide your Social Security
number or any other pertinent claim number. Also, please attach any copies of
documents which you feel would assist in explaining your situation.

Thank You

KSP

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Lindsey Smith

From: Amy <amyg@1st-in-scanners.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:41 PM
To: 'Lindsey Smith'
Subject: Fedpay Problems

In October I registered as a vender on Fedpay.gsa.gov was told I would receive a password in 5 to 7 business day. Never received an email.

On Nov. 8th Spoke to Fedpay and was told that I must have registered during the shut down and to register again. Monday tried to register site was not allowing me to log on. Wednesday tried to log on again and the login screen goes to blank, tried the register tab and that goes to blank also. Call number for contact, and was informed that I need to call accounting and was given another number after 15 minutes waiting for a rep. the call came through that department can not be reached and to leave a message. Which I did.

Amy Glidden
Document Management Solutions

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 P.O. Box 197
 Londonderry, NH 03053



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Invoice Date: Oct 10, 2013

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Fax: (603) 647-1404

REMIT TO: P.O. Box 197
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GSA Accounts Payable Branch
 P.O. Box 419018
 NPN-E-PZ804-3N (E. Maldonado)
 Kansas City, MO 64141
 212-264-3620

Ship To:

Air Freight Terminal
 550 Atlantic St.
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 Dover AFB, DE 19902
 302-677-7345

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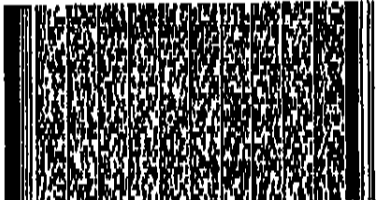

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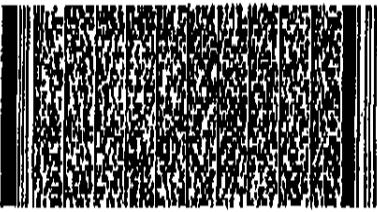

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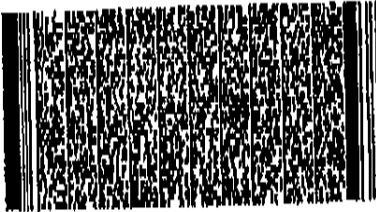

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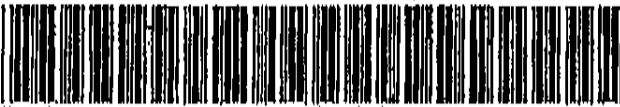

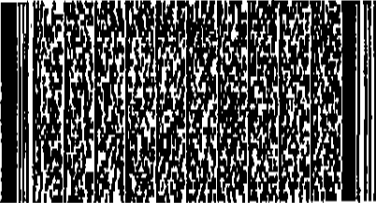

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212-264-3520

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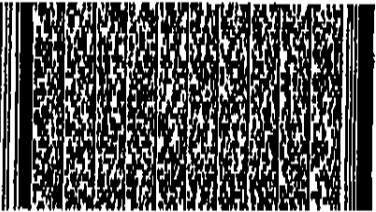
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GSA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

July 17, 2014

The Honorable Paul Ryan
Member, United States
House of Representatives
20 S. Main Street, Suite 10
Janesville, WI 53545

Dear Representative Ryan:

Thank you for your letter dated April 17, 2014, on behalf of your constituent, Ms. Sandra Tadych of American Building Restoration Products, Inc., in regard to doing business with the Federal Government. .

In response to your letter, Ms. Maureen Cruz, Small Business Specialist, U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), contacted Ms. Tadych on June 18, 2014. Ms. Tadych referred Ms. Cruz to Mr. Steve Roenheld, an employee of Ms. Tadych's, and Ms. Cruz walked him through the process of becoming eligible to do business with the Federal Government. Ms. Cruz also provided her contact information in case Ms. Tadych or Mr. Roenheld had any additional questions.

On June 27, Ms. Cruz followed up with Ms. Tadych and Mr. Roenheld again. At that time, Ms. Tadych asked if any in-person assistance is available. Ms. Cruz provided contact information for the local Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC). PTACs are designed to help businesses compete successfully in Federal, State, and local government contracting.

Ms. Tadych is also welcome to visit GSA's Great Lakes Region headquarters in Chicago for in-person help as well. The office is located at the following address:

230 S. Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at [\(202\) 501-0563](tel:2025010563).

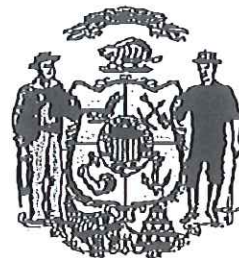
Sincerely,

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Lisa A. Austin
Associate Administrator



Congressman PAUL RYAN



Serving Wisconsin's First Congressional District

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DATE: 4/21/14

PLEASE DELIVER TO:

NAME: Administrator Ann Kalayil

COMPANY/OFFICE: GSA Region 5 Office

FAX #: 312-886-5595

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SENDER: Susie Liston

COMMENTS: new congressional - Sandra Tadych of American Building Restoration Products, Inc. Problems for past 4 months, they have been trying to list products on GSA Advantage. GSA requested they submit business plan to determine if their business is viable & suited for govt use. Been in business since 1970 & already contract with federal agencies.

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Congress of the United States
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April 17, 2014

Ms. Ann Kalayil
Regional Administrator
General Services Administration
Attn: LaDarius Curtis
230 South Dearborn Street, Suite 3820
Chicago, IL 60604-1562

Dear Ms. Kalayil:

I was recently contacted by a constituent, Ms. Sandra Tadych of Franklin, Wisconsin, regarding the matter as detailed on her enclosed Privacy Act Release form. Please note that Ms. Tadych serves as Vice President of American Building Restoration Products, Inc.

I would appreciate it if you would look into this matter to determine if anything can be done – consistent with all laws and regulations – to assist Ms. Tadych with her request.

Please address your response to my Janesville office at 20 South Main Street, Suite 10, Janesville, Wisconsin, 53545. Should you have any questions about this request, my Senior Constituent Services Representative, Susie Liston, can be contacted at (608) 752-4050 (extension 114). Her e-mail address is: Susie.Liston@mail.house.gov

Again, thank you for your assistance in this matter. I look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,



Paul Ryan
Member of Congress

Enclosure

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Privacy Act Release/Casework Request Form

Name: AMERICAN BUILDING RESTORATION E-Mail: abrp@abrp.com
PRODUCTS, INC.

I prefer to receive correspondence by E-mail (if provided above): YES X NO

Address: 9720 So. 60th STREET

City: FRANKLIN State: WI Zip Code: 53132 Date of Birth:

Phone (Home): 800-346-7532 (Cell): (Work): EXTENSION :

Social Security Number: Veteran's Number:

Agency Involved: GSA

The Problem Is: (attach an additional sheet(s) if necessary)

WE ARE HAVING DIFFICULTIES GETTING OUR PRODUCTS
LISTED ON THE "GSA ADVANTAGE" WEB SITE. WE ARE
A BUSINESS OF 43 YEARS MANUFACTURING RESTORATION PRODUCTS
THAT HAVE BEEN USED BY FEDERAL AGENCIES AND WE HAVE
GOTTEN NO WORD.

****Privacy Act Release****

I request and authorize U.S. Representative Paul Ryan to act on my behalf and to receive information from proper officials regarding the matter described above. Congressman Ryan is authorized by me to receive on my behalf all correspondence and information about my case.

Signed: (b) (6) Date: 4.10.14

Please return this completed form to:

Congressman Paul Ryan
20 South Main Street, Suite 10
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Phone: (608) 752-4050
toll-free in Wisconsin: 1-888-909-RYAN (7926)
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*** Please note that the Privacy Act Release requires that you authorize access to your private records. Your signature above will enable Congressman Ryan to make the necessary inquiries on your behalf.

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Kim Butler - H1ABA <kim.butler@gsa.gov>

Fwd: Incoming Senator Kirk Constituent Casework

1 message

Antoinette Reaves - S <toni.reaves@gsa.gov>

Wed, Aug 20, 2014 at 8:36 AM

Reply-To: executive-secretariat@gsa.gov

To: Executive Secretariat <executive-secretariat@gsa.gov>

Cc: Brenda Short <brendaa.short@gsa.gov>

H1A can you please expedite this. thanks

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From: **Antoinette Reaves - S** <toni.reaves@gsa.gov>

Date: Wed, May 28, 2014 at 11:28 AM

Subject: Incoming Senator Kirk Constituent Casework

To: Liz Barnaby - S <elizabeth.barnaby@gsa.gov>, Brenda Short <brendaa.short@gsa.gov>

Cc: Erin Mewhirter <erin.mewhirter@gsa.gov>, Layna Koentopf - S <layna.koentopf@gsa.gov>

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From: **Bower, Daniel (Kirk)** <Daniel_Bower@kirk.senate.gov>

Date: Wed, May 28, 2014 at 11:06 AM

Subject: Senator Kirk Constituent Casework

To: "gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov" <gsacongressionalaffairs@gsa.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

The attached correspondence relates to the concerns of one of Senator Kirk's constituents, Cheryl Williams. One of the Senator's previous employees stated that she sent these materials to you on April 16, but when I spoke to a representative at GSA I was told GSA never received any information regarding Cheryl Williams. She suggested that we send the information via email and request a rush on a response.

Cheryl has two primary issues. First, is the the construction of a new building and the current railroad that runs through University Hill, Illinois that are causing a major disturbance based on the noise that is created from them. She is requesting funding for the construction of a wall to absorb the noise.

The second issue Cheryl is experiencing is her difficulty trying to finish SAM registration via the website.

Any information you could provide to Cheryl and our office would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Daniel Bower

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Daniel Bower

Caseworker

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GSA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

October 14, 2014

The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
United States Senator
Attn: Matthew Bartlett
144 Main Street
Nashua, NH 03060

Dear Senator Ayotte:

Thank you for your letter dated September 5, 2014, on behalf of Mr. Thomas Blais, requesting the status of his Schedule proposal. The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) evaluates proposals in order of receipt. The GSA Schedule program has experienced a significant increase in new proposals and, as a result, is working under a heavy backlog. However, we are identifying efficiencies and process improvements to alleviate the backlog and prevent future delays.

GSA received Mr. Blais' Schedule 78 proposal on March 5, 2014, in response to Solicitation 3FNG-MG-060002-B Refresh 24. Mr. Blais' proposal was assigned to a contracting officer, Ms. Ena Morimoto, on September 26, 2014. If Mr. Blais has questions about the evaluation, he can contact Ms. Morimoto directly at (215) 446-4873. Mr. Blais may also request that Ms. Morimoto provide periodic updates or details about the proposal evaluation.

GSA may expedite the review of a proposal to meet a direct request from a Federal or State agency customer regarding a pending requirement. In this instance, a letter from an agency by a procurement decision-maker indicating their interest in procuring from Mr. Blais' company should be sent to Ms. Morimoto.

GSA appreciates Mr. Blais' interest in doing business with GSA. GSA's contracting team is making every effort to process Mr. Blais' proposal as expeditiously as possible.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact me at (202) 501-0563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa A. Austin".

Lisa A. Austin
Associate Administrator

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September 5, 2014

*Rec'd
9/16/14*

Ms. Lisa Austin
Associate Administrator
General Services Administration
1800 F Street NW Room 6105
Washington, DC 20405-0001

Dear Ms. Austin:

Attached please find correspondence and privacy waiver from my constituent, Thomas Blais of Rye, New Hampshire. Mr. Blais says that his company Rokon, based in Rochester, NH, has applied for GSA schedule status on March 5th, 2014 and has yet to receive a reply. Any information you can provide on the status of his company would be greatly appreciated and can be sent to my office located at 144 Main Street, Nashua, NH 03060.

If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Bartlett in my Nashua office at (603) 880-3335 or via email at Matthew.Bartlett@ayotte.senate.gov.

Sincerely,

Kelly A. Ayotte

Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senator

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RELEASE OF INFORMATION

DATE August 26, 2014

The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
U. S. Senate
New Hampshire

Dear Senator Ayotte:

I hereby authorize you to obtain information from GSA in order that you may assist me with the following problem:
(Please provide a short narrative)

My company, Rokon International, Inc., submitted an application for GSA schedule status on March 5, 2014. We have received no information regarding the status of our application and are eager for approval as many government agencies have expressed interest in purchasing once Rokon is approved.

Signature:  (b) (6)

Phone #:  (b) (6)

Name: Thomas Blais
(PLEASE PRINT)

SS#  (b) (6)

Address:  (b) (6)

DOB:  (b) (6)

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(City, State, Zip Code)

A# _____

*******Please be sure to sign the form where indicated and provide your Social Security number or any other pertinent claim number. Also, please attach any copies of documents which you feel would assist in explaining your situation.***

Thank You

Dec. 11. 2003 10:37AM

MARK STEVEN KIRK
10TH DISTRICT, ILLINOIS

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Mr. Shawn McBurney
Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional Affairs
General Services Administration
1800 F Street, N.W., Room 6105
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Mr. McBurney:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, Stephen A. Barth, President of Vertiflex Products of Northbrook, Illinois, who has contacted me regarding his company's contract with the General Services Administration (GSA). I have attached a copy of Mr. Barth's letter outlining his concerns.

It is my understanding that Vertiflex Products provides office supplies through two contracts with the GSA. Apparently the federal government asked my constituent to qualify the points of origin of the office products supplied to the GSA. This information was provided timely to the government. Since that time, the GSA has advised that Vertiflex Products in violation of distributing goods from prohibited countries. When my constituent contacted his attorney, he was advised that no violations of federal statutes could be found.

I would appreciate your reviewing Mr. Barth's letter and providing me with a response to his concerns. Any information you can provide would be welcomed.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. Please direct your reply through my Deerfield office listed above.

Sincerely,

Mark Steven Kirk
Member of Congress

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The Honorable Mark Steven Kirk
Member, United States
House of Representatives
102 Wilmot Road
Suite 200
Deerfield, IL 60015

Dear Representative Kirk:

This is in response to your letter, dated October 7, 2003, on behalf of your constituent, Mr. Stephen A. Barth, President of VPI Venture Group LLC (VPI), regarding VPI's General Services Administration (GSA) contracts and possible violation of the Trade Agreements Act.

VPI indicates that its contracts with GSA do not prohibit it from selling products that are manufactured in China to the Federal Government, but that GSA has forced it to stop selling such products. It is GSA's position that because China is not a designated country under the Trade Agreements Act, and because similar products are available from U.S. firms or designated countries, the products offered by VPI under its contract are not eligible for a waiver from the requirements of the Trade Agreements Act. Since the Federal Government is prohibited from acquiring products manufactured in China without such a waiver, VPI is prohibited from selling its Chinese-made products to the Federal Government.

Detailed information about our investigation of VPI's request and the basis for our position are enclosed.

I hope this information is helpful in responding to your constituent. Should you have any further questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Arthur Hackney, GSA National Furniture Center, on (703) 305-6636.

Sincerely,

Lester D. Gray, Jr. (S)

Donna D. Bennett
Commissioner

Enclosure